

# Sedalia Evening Democrat.

NEW SERIES.

## THE DIM FUTURE.

WAITING FOR THE LENGTHENING SHADOWS TO BRIGHTEN.

The Mystery of Miss Sturtevant's Disappearance Still a Blank to Her Searchers.

It is now over two weeks since Myrtle Sturtevant left the home of her father and mother. Not a word has been heard from her. The slightest clue has been followed to the end, yet this unfortunate girl is as completely lost as if the earth had opened and swallowed her.

It is now reasonable to suppose that she is either dead or has taken a step through unknown and secret influences that makes life even more terrible than death. If she has disappeared of her own free will or has eloped with some clandestine suitor, a person would be free to think that the grief and sorrow of her mother would so influence this rash girl as to compel her to make known her whereabouts. There are few girls who have always been surrounded by the influence of a Christian home and felt the sympathy of a devoted mother that could so cruelly break this mother's heart.

A DEMOCRAT reporter to-day saw a letter from Miss Hattie Mead, the friend whom Miss Sturtevant started to visit. The writer seemed to regard the case as hopeless and despaired of her ever being found. This letter was received in Sedalia yesterday afternoon.

The following editorial from the *Ohio State Journal*, of Columbus, refers feelingly to the matter:

"The case of Miss Sturtevant has entered into the hearts and homes of Columbus people more than any event that has happened for years. It strikes very near every mother and touches every father, brother and sister. The distressing features of this case are many. Even if the young lady is alive, her life is affected and her once happy disposition weighted with continuing sadness. The parents are bowed with sorrow and a happy home has been turned into a house of mourning. The afflicted parents have the sympathy of all and there is unbounded compassion for Miss Sturtevant whose return would bring tears of joy to thousands who know her not. A casual study of her past life and disposition and home surroundings show plainly that her nature has undergone a terrible tribulation. Some desperate condition must have confronted her and what anguish of mind and soul must she have endured?"

"There is a difference of opinion as to details, but there is no difference of opinion as to the cause and effect.

"Washington Irving beautifully says: 'A woman's affection is her world,' and adds that he was a believer in broken hearts.

"The agony of the mother and intense solicitude of the younger brother have been constantly referred to during the past ten days. Their misery cannot be described—not even imagined. But think also of the father. No one but himself knows what that man has done the past week, where all he has been and who he has seen. When one clew failed he took up another. He listened to all the rumors and conjectures. But that is not all; he chased them down, confirmed everything heard by investigation. No description can convey to the public what the newspaper men know of the untiring efforts of this anxious father.

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## NOBLE WORK.

Unparalleled Success Attended the Christian Revival.

The protracted meetings at the Christian church closed last night after one of the most successful revivals in the history of the church. Rev. J. S. Myers has devoted his whole time to the matter and the results are certainly most gratifying. There have been about 200 received into the church, 165 of whom have been baptized.

The church will hold a social next Wednesday evening at which the entire congregation will be present.

## DON'T MISS

The Closing-Out Sale.  
A little cash goes long ways.

## MINTER BROS.

### SKIPPED.

CHAS. E. HILTON, THE "ARTIST," UNCELEBRATELY DEPARTS.

And Leaves a Number of Unpaid Bills Behind—He Stopped at the Le Grande Hotel.

On April Fools' day there appeared at Hotel LeGrande, a middle aged man of splendid address who registered as Charles E. Hilton, Chicago.

He produced the best of references written by Mr. Davies, the proprietor's father-in-law, and this in addition to the man's gentlemanly bearing caused the host to congratulate himself on receiving such a delightful guest.

Col. Hilton remained at the hotel till Wednesday morning last, when he departed very unceremoniously nor as he "left the warm precinct of the cheerful day" did he "cast a longing, lingering look behind."

He was too busy for sentimental indulgence; too much pre-occupied as it were.

"To abbreviate what some folks might elaborate," Col. Hilton skipped the town, leaving a bad taste in the mouths of several acquaintances formed here; also some unpaid accounts, which when made out and presented, would have read as follows:

"Mr. Chas. E. Hilton to Bear and Caldwell, dentists:

April 15th, to half set of false teeth, \$40.

Please Remit."

Moreover mine host of the Le Grande had a present for the smooth Chesterfield and it also reads:

"Mr. Chas. E. Hilton: To board and lodging, ending April 23rd, \$15."

In addition to these several other minor accounts were contracted in Sedalia, all of which can be bought by brokers at a liberal discount for cash. The holders yearn for a hasty sale.

Col. Hilton, as was his wont, arose early Wednesday morning, breakfasted and departed—ostensibly for a morning walk, but like the fated ship, he never returned. The supposition is that he either went to the "X" office and boarded the northbound "Katy" or departed from East Sedalia for the south over the same road.

Telegrams were sent to Hannibal but nothing has been received in response.

The colonel has gone glimmering and from what can be learned of his history he will glimmer for a long season before apprehended.

Hilton was a picture man, that is he refreshed the features of old pictures by means of a translucent enamel. While in Sedalia he secured a great many orders, as he was undoubtedly a master workman.

From what can be learned of the man, it would seem that he is a professional deadbeat, his silk tie, Prince Albert coat, light pants and seeming diamonds notwithstanding.

The last issue of the *Hotel World* contained an account of a shrewd hotel shark whose description in minutest details corresponds with that of Hilton.

A traveling salesman by the name of T. H. Arnold from Coshocton, O., arrived at the LeGrande this morning and claims to know Hilton well.

Arnold is quoted as saying that the "Artist" was one of the slickest swindlers on the continent and his career was checkered and of much longevity.

Hilton has a son in school near Chicago and sent him money several times during his memorable visit to the Queen City.

Messrs. DeLong and Ramsey are

striving to locate him though with little hope of success.

Hilton lowered his grips from the north side of the hotel Tuesday night and kept his door locked till his escape was made good.

### UNDER THE WHEELS.

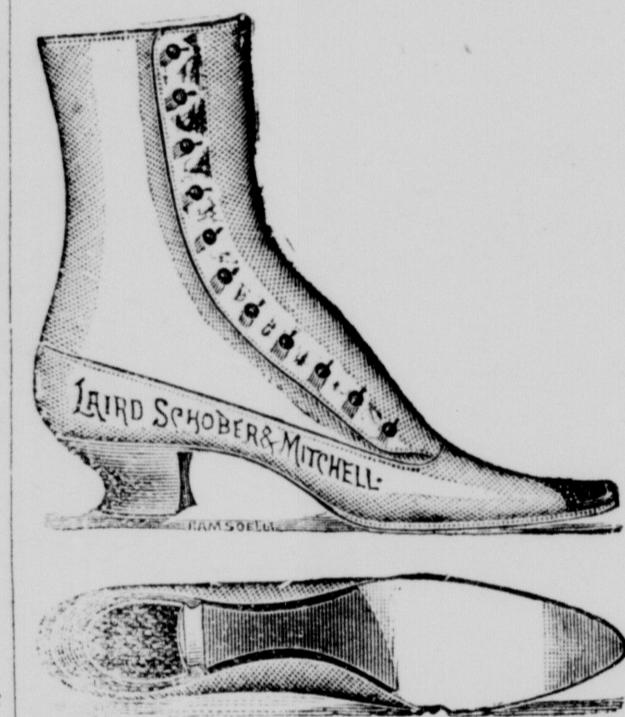
Brakeman John Bonker Loses His Right Leg at Booneville Last Night.

A sad misfortune happened to John Bonker, head brakeman for Conductor Ben Walker, at Booneville, last night, in which he lost his right leg.

The train was coming south and had pulled up near the tank to take water. The engine was uncoupled from the train and after the tank had been filled, Brakeman Bonker stepped upon the brake beam of the tender and started to ride down to the train.

In some way his hold slipped and he fell to the track. The engine passed over his right leg below the knee and crushed it terribly.

Drs. Cooper and Holman, the



company surgeons, were immediately called and the injured man taken to a convenient place and the leg amputated about two inches below the knee. It was found that the limb had been mashed to a pulp.

Mr. Bonker was brought to the M. K. & T. hospital in this city this morning. A DEMOCRAT reporter inquired this afternoon and found that he had recovered from the shock and was resting quietly.

Mr. Bonker lives at No. 518 South Lamine street and has a young wife and one child. He is the son of George Bonker and a brother of Mrs. John Hicks.

### LIBERTY AT LAST.

The Indian Confidence Shark Released from Jail.

Teska Tawala, or Downing, who has been confined in the Pettis county jail for 115 days, was released to-day at the expiration of ten day's sentence received at the last term of criminal court.

Tawala is the party who loomed up in Sedalia some months ago and represented himself a cattle king in the Indian territory.

He afterwards went to Joplin, Mo., where he was arrested the 30th of last December. Aside from this release, J. W. Williams, a negro, confined eight days for vagrancy, was given his liberty.

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Lamine streets. Telephone 232.**"GOOD EVENING!"***My Papa Reads THE DEMOCRAT.*

"I would earnestly advise them for their  
good to order this paper to be punctually  
served up and to be looked upon as a part of  
the tea equipage."—ADDISON.

**KEEP COOL AND THINK.**

The mere personality of the democratic nominee for the presidency matters little. Unless the old democratic spirit is dead, principle is everything and the mere man nothing.

Hence the duty of a democratic convention, first of all, is to frame an honest, frank, fearless platform expressive of the real sentiment of the party.

After that is done there will be found scores of men worthy to bear the party standard, and the work of the convention should be to select the man who can most certainly bear the flag to victory.

It goes without saying that he shall be a loyal democrat who personally believes in the policies outlined in the platform; that he shall be honest, faithful and capable; but after these comes the question of availability, which should not be overlooked.

The winning platform was demonstrated in the elections of 1890—reduction of federal taxes, restoration of the bi-metallic standard by the free coinage of silver; opposition to centralization; opposition to extravagant appropriations.

In short, equal rights for all men and all sections and strict economy in public expenditures.

If Cleveland is the man who can carry these principles on to victory, let him be the standard bearer; but not one democratic principle must be surrendered.

To admit now that the great mass of the party has been wrong on the silver question all these years; to admit that our senators and congressmen who voted almost solidly for free silver in the last congress were wrong and only prevented by a republican majority from plunging the country in ruin, would make confidence in the judgment if not in the honesty of the party and lose the democracy votes in all sections.

To take any steps backward on the tariff question would be equally as fatal.

Any abandonment of any democratic principle would be the most wanton folly.

It would deceive no one; it would mollify nobody, but would weaken the party.

Every voter who has read aright the history of the political parties in this country knows full well that the democratic party is unalterably opposed to anything in the nature of a protective tariff; that the party has always favored a bi-metallic standard with free coinage of both gold and silver; that it has always

federal usurpation; that it has always taught that governments are made for the citizens, not the citizens for the government.

Once in the history of the party we tried the experiment of tendering an apology to the people of the United States in the shape of a candidate who did not even profess to believe in some of the principles of our party, and though the lamented Horace Greeley was a good and in some respects great man, the result was the most utter defeat and rout the party has ever known.

After all, it is the principles of the party upon which we must depend for success. No mere personal popularity of a candidate can win a victory for a party whose principles and policies will not stand the test.

But it might easily be possible for the weakness of a candidate to encompass defeat for his party if he were engaged in a bitter factional fight in a close state.

Democrats, everywhere, should keep cool and think, and after the strong points and the weak points of the candidates have been brought out, then send their best and truest men as delegates to Chicago to compare notes and discuss matters freely, with only this positive instruction upon them:

Make a clean, clear, ringing democratic platform and on it nominate the man who stands the best chance to win.

**WHAT EVERYBODY DOES.**

It is gratifying to see the interest which is growing up in response to the demands for better roads. The present discussion is more earnest than it has ever before been, and it is more general.

We as a people are not yet fully aroused to the importance of good roads, nor will we be until we realize how far behind the age, behind the standard established by the civilized nations of the earth we really are. We must know what we are losing year by year by our sluggishness in this matter before we are entirely ready to throw off our inactivity.

The farmer is slower to see these losses than is the mechanic or the man who has learned by a dollar and cent experience the real value of motive power. The farmer breeds and raises his power, sustains and nourishes it upon the products of his land, does not take the money out of his pocket to pay the expense, and hence is not aware of what the cost of moving his crops to the market really amounts to. He has not yet learned to ascertain by mathematical calculation upon the wear and tear of wagons and harness and horse-flesh and time just what bad roads are costing him each year.

If the farmer would count as loss the money he doesn't make which he is deprived of by bad market facilities he would regard the road question with much more seriousness.

Good roads are usually looked upon as a means of convenience. This is of least importance. The question of economy is wherein good roads appeal with greatest force to the progressive farmer and business man.

A hand corn-planter costs less than one twentieth of what a horse-planter costs. A grain-cradle can be purchased for one hundredth part of what an improved harvesting-machine will cost. A hand-hay-rake for half a dollar is no inducement against a horse-rake at fifty times the price. A hand-hoe has no market in competition with the cultivator at thirty times the cost.

Why?  
Because it is not economy. Price and cost are no longer elements in considering improved farm machinery. Results alone are weighed.

Everybody studies improved methods.

Even the dropper or old self-rake harvester would go begging beside the harvester of to-day that costs from four to five times the old antiquated machine and its methods.

The same keen business perception which has relegated the horse-power thresher for the steam machine of five times its cost; that has discarded hand-bag sowing for drill and seeder; that has substituted the gang-plow for the more primitive and slow twelve-inch furrow; that

rope harness, tree-top drags, bull-tongue plows and a hundred other methods that are almost forgotten; that has kept such pace with improved facilities that increased production has met the losses of falling prices, will soon grasp the necessity of better roads, reliable roads, clean roads.

The first cost should not be considered. Results alone should be looked at. Not a farmer in the land but can pay his pittance of tax for good roads out of horse-flesh saved, harness saved, wagons saved, time saved, produce saved by being put in quick, easy and always reliable communication with the markets.

Business sense demands better roads.

Business sense tells us that good roads are economy, a good investment, a part of the improved methods of the business life of today.

The man who opposes such means as will give us good roads is one who will not long be very popular with his neighbors, his family nor with himself.

In St. Louis the contest for delegates who are in turn to select delegates to the national democratic convention has been merged into the gubernatorial contest, or the gubernatorial contest has been injected into the contest for delegates, no one can tell which. But the average St. Louis politician has more tricks than a circus mule anyhow, and there is no telling what they are going to do until they have done it, and then you never know why they did it.

LECTURER WILLETTS, of the Farmers' alliance, says the third party is going to carry every state west of the Mississippi river, except Texas, next fall. Just why Texas is left out he does not explain, but the omission was probably due to the modesty of the man and was made to keep people from thinking that he was blowing, bluffing or bragging.

MAJ. DAN KENNEDY is getting things in fine shape for his road convention. He has been at work on it all the winter and they do say he has had a gang of rain makers steadily employed for a couple of months in order to have the roads in such shape that the wayfaring man, though a fool, can see that improvements are needed.

THE farmers of Pettis county have long ago cast aside the reaphook for the self-binder, but they still stick to the roads of the reaphook days. They are getting mighty tired of the expensive luxury of bad roads, however, and when they really get to work to provide better ones the long felt want will soon be supplied.

EVERY Sedalian should make it a point to patronize home institutions whenever it is possible to do so. That is a good way to encourage other people to come and start up enterprises. Live men like a town where the people help themselves by helping each other.

SEDALIA made a grand fight for the state university. As much money invested in manufacturing enterprises would be worth as much to the city financially as any state institution would be.

PROSPECTS for the building of the north and south railroad through this congressional district are brightening up some.

ONE of the first things Sedalia must do this spring is to get work started on several streets that need paving.

**HOW MONEY IS LOST.**

*The Great Cost of Bad Roads to Men Who Use Them.*

Occasionally we hear a man arguing that good roads are too costly a luxury for people to enjoy. All such should read the following from the Mexico *Intelligencer*, which presents a clear view of the cost of bad roads:

"You may think," said a wood hauler to the *Intelligencer* the other day, "that we wood haulers have been coining money this winter because of the good demand and high prices for wood. I assure you my experience, although I received from \$2 to \$3 for every load I brought to town, has been quite different. I began hauling wood before Christmas with a good team

were worth \$60 each and the wagon \$50. The outfit, however, cost me \$200, but the fair cash value would have been \$170. I brought a load of wood into town nearly every day, and some times two loads per day, hauling the wood only four and one-half miles. I thought there was money in it for me but I was mistaken. I made a good living, but to-day my financial condition is worse than it was when I first started. The condition of the roads have been such that the loads were too heavy for the team and as a result their shoulders became bruised rendering them unfit for service for the last three weeks. It is doubtful if they ever recover. The harness was damaged 50 per cent, and the wagon is a total wreck. I cannot sell the horses in their present condition and they are unable to make their own living. Other wood haulers have had similar experience. So, you see, my experience with bad roads has left me with the bag to hold, yet the farmers and others who have been hauling wood to town have been accused of robbing the consumers, when in fact they have been robbing themselves. Now, if the people of Mexico want cheaper wood they will have to do something towards securing better roads.

**Dr. Yeaman.**

From the *Marshall Progress*.

To many thinking men, our country is on the eve of a crisis. There will come up in the near future questions of such deep import that the country will be threatened with the shock of violence. Labor has made just demands which must be met. The agriculturalist, too, feels that he is discriminated against, and is kicking.

There is an element here in Missouri that is working to put patriotism at the front in the person of a man for governor, who has a clear, incisive, luminous intellect—a heart that will inspire him, and a grasp of mind that will enable him to see the right—one, who, as between labor and capital, stands upon conservative ground, upon which these two conflicting elements can meet and fraternize in loyal respect and fellowship for each other as did Americans in olden time when they pledged to freedom and the general weal whatever they had of property, of life and sacred honor.

D. Yeaman is to-day, in our humble opinion, the best representative of this element to be found in the state of Missouri.

**She is a World-Beater.**  
For sensations Sedalia surely takes the lead.—*Warrensburg Union*.

**AMUSEMENTS.**

**The Criskeen--Lawn.**  
One of the prettiest productions of Irish drama, that has been seen on the American stage in a long time is that of "The Criskeen Lawn." It will be given at the opera house on the 26, with all the original company, including the author actor Dan McCarthy.

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No. 3, " 8:55 a. m. 9:15 a. m.

NORTHBOUND. MAIN LINE.

Arrive. Leave.

No. 2, Texas Express, 8:15 a. m. 10:40 a. m.

No. 4, Chicago Exp's, 5:50 p. m. 6:10 p. m.

Sedalia, Warsaw and Southern.

NORTH BOUND.

Arrives.

No. 200, Accommodation, 3:00 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND.

Leaves.

No. 190, Accommodation, 8:15 a. m.

Missouri Pacific Ry.

MAIN LINE. WESTBOUND.

Arrive. Leave.

No. 1 Day E xpress, 3:25 p. m. 3:35 p. m.

No. 3 Night Express, 3:15 a. m. 3:25 a. m.

No. 5 Local Pass'g'r, 3:15 p. m. 3:40 p. m.

No. 7 Fast Mail, 7:55 a. m. 8:00 a. m.

No. 9 Texas Express, 4:55 a. m.

No. 7 does not carry passengers.

MAIN LINE. EASTBOUND.

Arrive. Leave.

No. 2 Day Express, 12:35 p. m. 12:40 p. m.

No. 4 Night Express, 11:55 p. m. 12:01 a. m.

No. 6 Local Pass'r, 10:40 a. m. 10:45 a. m.

No. 8 Night Express, 12:40 a. m. 12:45 a. m.

Lexington Branch.

WESTBOUND.

Arrive. Leave.

No. 193 Colorado Exp's, 5:05 a. m. 5:45 p. m.

No. 191 Local Pass'g'r, 3:45 a. m. 10:55 a. m.

No. 197 Local Freight, 10:55 a. m.

EASTBOUND.

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No. 192 St. Louis Exp's, 10:30 a. m.

No. 194 Local Passenger, 10:30 p. m.

No. 198 Local Freight, 3:00 p. m.

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## ANOTHER SHAKE.

Central California Again Rocked  
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The State Capitol at Sacramento Injured,  
the Ceiling Having Been Cracked—  
Carson, Nev., Felt the Shock,  
But No Damage.SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—There was  
a recurrence of an earthquake wave in  
the central portion of the state yesterday  
forenoon which was perceptible in this city and was noticeable as far east as  
Reno. Telegraph reports show that it  
was felt as far north as Red Bluff and in  
the San Joaquin valley south. The  
shock was not as severe as that of Monday  
night, and the only damage done was to  
the buildings in the towns of Winters, Woodland, Dixon and Vacaville, which had been wrecked by Monday's shock. The shock was sharper at  
Sacramento than any previous one, and  
causes some excitement at the state  
capital. A plaster figure over the  
portion of the capitol was thrown down.A survey of the damages at six towns in  
the Vaca and Sacramento valleys show  
that the buildings injured were of frail character, the construction of  
which would not have been permitted  
in any city with building regulations,  
and a number of which would have col-  
lapsed in the event of a severe storm of  
any character.In this city and in Sacramento the  
shock was not noticeable in strong business  
blocks nor in the mission churches, many of which are over 100 years old. The  
only personal injury reported is that of a workman at Dixon who was  
struck by a portion of a falling wall. Gov. Markham offered to send tents to  
Winters.Another slight tremor of earthquake  
occurred here at 7:45 last evening. Shocks  
are also reported from a number of other places in the northern part  
of the state and also from Carson, Nev.,  
but no damage is reported.At Sacramento there was another  
earthquake shock at 9:45 yesterday  
morning lasting 20 seconds. The plaster  
fell from a number of ceilings, several old chimneys toppled over and  
glassware was broken. A large number  
of the plaster statues over the portico  
of the state capitol fell and struck forty  
feet from the building. It was dis-  
covered that a crack was made in the  
ceiling extending from one end of the  
building to the other. Books were  
thrown from the shelves in the library  
by the shock.At Winters another slight shock was  
felt at 9:45, completing the destruction of  
the Masonic hall, Berthold's two-  
story stone building and generally de-  
molishing goods, fixtures, etc. One  
man was badly hurt by a falling wall.  
Three brick and stone farm houses west  
of town were injured.At Davisville another shock was felt.  
It was of brief duration, lasting no  
more than five seconds, yet in severity it  
seemed to exceed that of Monday. The  
additional damage is scarcely no-  
ticeable save in the rear of the Masonic and  
Odd Fellows halls, where the  
fissures show considerable enlarge-  
ment and are now really dangerous. In  
Campbell's drug store several bottles  
were thrown from the shelves and at  
Liggett's glass was crushed in the front.  
No one is injured in this locality.  
Many brick chimneys will have to  
be torn down and rebuilt.At Dixon severe shocks completed the  
wreck which was before threatened.  
Only two or three brick buildings in  
town are safe, and fortunately possess  
thick walls. No one was injured, but  
there were many narrow escapes. Every  
available mechanic and laborer is at  
work clearing away the wreckage and  
taking down the condemned buildings  
before fatal accidents occur.At Woodland, there was a severe  
quake at 10 o'clock, fully equal to that  
of Tuesday night. The damage is light  
as far as ascertained. The buildings  
were cracked in many places and the  
recent breaks somewhat enlarged, es-  
pecially in Capitol hotel, Odd Fellows  
hall and the express office.At Vacaville the earthquake was felt,  
but it was not as severe as those of the  
preceding days. Some walls were de-  
molished and a number of buildings  
were cracked, but no serious damage  
was done.At Esparto several shocks occurred,  
completely leveling the brick portion of  
the town. Every brick chimney was  
thrown to the ground and the wooden  
buildings wrenched out of shape. W.H. Shulite, engineer, was seriously if  
not fatally injured by a portion of the  
walls of his blacksmith shop falling on  
him. Levy & Schwab's brick store is  
almost a complete wreck, the entire  
front wall and part of the east and west  
walls being down. Barnes' hotel suf-  
fered a severe loss, making a hole six  
feet in the east wall. The bricks crashed  
through the roof and the floor of the  
balcony and the cement walls were  
torn out of shape. Mrs. J. H. Dawson  
was taken out of the debris of Levy &  
Schwab's store unconscious. A baby in  
her arms was unhurt. Reports from  
the surrounding country show great de-  
struction to property. Teams broke  
and ran away, wrecking valuable  
vehicles and injuring stock. Extensive  
excavations are reported between here  
and Woodland.

Joplin to have a Hospital.

Joplin, Mo., April 22.—The Joplin  
Hospital association has been organized  
to build a hospital at a cost, when com-  
pleted, of \$30,000. The Joplin club ap-  
proved the plans of the association last  
night and appointed committees to  
assist in the work.

## CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Judge Claiborne, of St. Louis, says  
suit clubs are lotteries.Cincinnati carpenters and bosses have  
settled their difficulties for the coming  
two years.John Hartup, the astronomer at the  
Mersey harbor observatory, was killed  
by falling from the observatory.Eugene H. Cowles, eldest son of the  
late Edwin Cowles, for years the editor  
of the Cleveland Leader, died at El  
Paso, Tex., where he had gone for his  
health. Mr. Cowles was 38 years of age.Eugene Kauffman, postmaster at  
Reisel, Tex., was assassinated by two  
negroes. He was investigating a noise  
near his store when he was confronted  
by the two negroes, who shot him dead  
and then fled.News from Matte Crosse, Brazil, is to  
the effect that revolutionists intend to  
offer determined resistance to the govern-  
ment troops. All the steamers on the  
Panama river have been seized by  
the insurgents.James Palmer was arrested in New  
York by a Central office detective,  
charged with the larceny of \$50,000  
from the firm of Tiffany & Co. on Union  
square. Palmer was captured at his  
ware rooms, 13 West Seventeenth street,  
and when he learned that his misdeeds  
had been found out he exclaimed: "O,  
my God, I wish I had shot myself." He  
acknowledged his guilt to Inspector  
Steers at police headquarters.

Brazil Rebels Seize Steamers.

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news from Matto Crosse, Brazil, is to  
the effect that revolutionists intend to  
offer determined resistance to the govern-  
ment troops. All the steamers on the  
Parana river have been seized by  
the insurgents.

## GOVERNMENT PREDICTIONS.

Reports from Washington are to the effect  
that the Mississippi will rise very  
high about the middle of May.WASHINGTON, April 22.—Recent heavy  
rains are causing the rivers to rise  
rapidly in the Ohio and upper Mississippi  
valleys. The stages of water in the lower  
Mississippi river, already high and rising,  
will be added to greatly in the next two weeks.The situation as regards the possibility  
of an overflow of the lower Mississippi  
is critical. The river at St. Louis has risen  
3.7 feet in the last three days and is now at a stage of 25.5 feet. It is likely to continue rising for the next two days and will reach 28 feet.At Cincinnati there has been a rise of  
20.4 feet in the past three days carrying  
the stage to 40.9 feet yesterday. It seems  
likely from the present indications that  
the river at Cincinnati will rise at least  
to the 45 feet stage by April 23. The Cumberland river at Nashville has  
risen 10 feet in three days and will go  
to six feet.From this rises in the Ohio above Cairo  
it is estimated that the river at Cairo  
will rise 5.5 feet in seven days, making  
the stage approximate 50 feet by April  
28, or within two feet of the highest  
that occurs there.The principal factors in the rise are a  
considerable rise at St. Louis and the  
great rise at Cincinnati, the crest time  
of water from which latter place to Cairo  
is six days.The lower Mississippi river at Memphis  
will rise to the highest known  
stage, 35.6 feet, or even higher, by May  
6. At Helena, Ark., the stage yesterday  
was 43.3 feet. There has been a rise of  
3 feet in ten days. By May 10  
the stage will rise to 47 feet or more.At Arkansas City the river, which is  
at 45.6 feet, will continue to rise until  
May 15, when the stage will approximate  
the highest water known—about  
49.5 feet. At Greenville, Miss., the  
stage of the river, which is 40.2 feet, will  
reach a stage of about 43 feet by  
May 15. At Vicksburg, Miss., the stage  
of water is 44.5 feet. It will reach by  
May 15 about 48 feet.

Marriage of Guatemala and Spaniard.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Mme. Francisca  
de Barrios, widow of the president of  
Guatemala, was married last evening to  
Senor Jose Martinez de Roda, a Spanish  
nobleman, at the magnificent residence  
of the bride, 855 Fifth avenue. The  
ceremonies—for there were two, both  
civil and religious—were witnessed by  
only a few of the intimate friends of  
the bride and groom and yet it was one  
of the most brilliant weddings that has  
occurred in New York for years.

Took a Dose of Strychnine.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 22.—Yesterday  
Claude Terry, a well known young man,  
becoming despondent over a love affair,  
swallowed half an ounce of strychnine.He took advantage of the absence of  
his relatives, who were in Kansas City,  
and going to the house locked the door  
and swallowed the stuff. He was found  
before life was extinct, and when physi-  
cians came fought savagely and had to  
be bound before he could be given anti-  
dotes. He will die.

Took a Dose of Strychnine.

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President. Cashier.

**POLITICAL.****For Congress.**

The DEMOCRAT is authorized to announce Hon. John T. Heard as a candidate for re-election to congress, subject to the action of the democratic convention to be held on May 7, 1892.

**Sheriff.**

The DEMOCRAT is authorized to announce J. S. Hopkins as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Pettis county, subject to the decision of the democratic party.

The DEMOCRAT is authorized to announce J. P. Kemp, of Heath's Creek township, a candidate for the office of sheriff of Pettis county, subject to the decision of the democratic primaries.

The DEMOCRAT is authorized to announce the name of J. C. Porter as a candidate for sheriff of Pettis county, subject to the decision of the republican primaries or convention.

**WEATHER REPORT**For the 24 Hours Ending 3 O'Clock  
P. M., April 22, 1892, Taken  
by C. G. Taylor.

Wind	Cloudiness in tenths.	Temperature Max.	Precipitation in inches.
N W	8	50°	0.00

Barometer 29.31.

Weather for Missouri for twenty-four hours beginning at 8 a. m., this morning: Fair; slowly rising temperature.

**INSULTED A WOMAN.****Riu Tutt, a Brutal Black, Guilty of Outrageous Conduct.**

Considerable excitement was caused by a fight at Riley's hotel about 10:30 this morning, between Bill Tutt, a negro, and Chas. P. Weyend, manager of the house.

A few minutes before the time mentioned, Mrs. Gordon, a boarder in room No. 18 rushed down stairs and informed the manager that a negro had insulted her. Following the woman upstairs, Weyend proceeded to eject the insolent brute from the building, when the negro remarked: "You s— of a b—, what have you got to do with it."

"I requested him in a gentlemanly manner to leave the house," said the manager to a DEMOCRAT reporter, "and he went down the back way, where, behind the saloon he attacked me. I knocked him down with a bottle just before the police came."

Mr. Weyend treated the whole affair as a matter of fact, instead of securing a gatling gun and blowing Tutt into the sweet subsequently.

He was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Barnett and lodged in the calaboose. Weyend's face was badly scratched in the fight.

**Will Go to the Pacific Slope.**Judge Phillips was at his office in the custom building for a short while again yesterday. No business was transacted beyond signing a few bills and orders. He will leave to-day for Colorado and the Pacific coast, to remain until the fall.—*Kansas City Journal*.**Do You Know Her?**

M. C. Smith, of Berry, Ill., was searching in St. Louis yesterday, for his daughter Hattie, 17, who left her aunt, Mrs. Nellie Riggs at Boonville, Mo., a year ago, and is supposed to have married a liveryman named John T. Reed. Neither the father, who is a widower, nor two married sisters at Monroe, have heard from Hattie since she left for St. Louis.

**A Peculiar Accident.**

A DEMOCRAT reporter witnessed a comical sight on Main street this morning. A lumberman was driving his four horse team attached to a skeleton wagon up the street when the wagon became uncoupled and the back part left standing on Main street, he driving on without noticing it until some one called his attention to it at the corner of Second and Kentucky streets.

If anyone ever saw a disgusted look lit over a man's face, one most assuredly passed over the driver's when he was notified of his accident.

**Got His Rag and Gone.**

Horace M. Kingsbury, student at Central Business college, received a graduating diploma last evening, and in company with his father de-

parted at 10:40 this morning for his home, Estill, Henry county.

The grades received by Mr. Kingsbury were of a high standard, the lowest being 97 on a scale of 100. Mr. Kingsbury received many compliments from President Robbins and the other teachers.

A substantial recognition of his ability was received a few days since from the First National bank at Boonville, where Mr. Kingsbury has been tendered a lucrative position.

**PERSONALS.**

Martin Weyant came home from Hannibal yesterday evening.

R. L. Cremes, of Fayette, was in the city a few hours this morning.

Capt. C. N. Stevens and wife were passengers to St. Louis last night.

Division Superintendent L. D. Hopkins, of the Missouri Pacific, was a midnight passenger to St. Louis.

Col. Van. B. Wisker, editor of the Green Ridge *Enterprise*, came up this morning to spend the day in the city.

John W. Livingstone, one of Ver- sailles' well-known citizens, is visiting in the city and will return home Saturday.

Hon. John Blackwell passed through yesterday afternoon on his way from Jefferson City to Lexington, his home.

Col. Taylor Kingsbury, one of Howard county's big fruit dealers, visited his son who is attending Central Business college, to-day.

Mrs. J. H. Teasdale, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. H. Beiler, for the past two months, left at noon for her home in St. Louis.

Mrs. Dr. Longan, of Kansas City, will entertain for several days Misses Emma Longan and Isabel Daniels who left for that city yesterday afternoon.

Hon. George W. Allen, who lectured on the Passion Play at the opera house last night left with his wife at noon for their home in St. Louis. Mr. Allen is part owner of the Southern hotel and is an enthusiastic traveler.

**A HAPPY MARRIAGE.****Two of East Sedalia's Best Known Young People Plead Their Vows.**

The Montgomery street Methodist church was crowded at 8:30 o'clock last evening by the well-wishing friends who had assembled to witness the marriage of Robert Cunningham and Miss Gertrude Leach. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Albert Jump.

Mr. Cunningham is one of Sedalia's most deserving young business men. By honesty, thrift and enterprise he has established a good business and won the esteem and friendship of all with whom he has come in contact. Miss Leach is a lovable young lady and will make her husband a worthy wife. She is the daughter of Joshua Leach, the founder of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen.

The bridesmaids were Misses Mamie Ross and Mamie Stotts; the groomsmen, Messrs. J. P. Fifer and Frank Leach, brother of the bride.

The presents were numerous and costly. After the ceremony the guests partook of an elegant supper at the home of the bride's parents on Brown street.

**LEFT THE CHILD.****A Young Mother Deserts her Babe at Schell City this Morning.**

Considerable excitement was caused among the passengers on the north bound M., K. &amp; T. train early this morning between Schell City and Clinton. It was learned that a young woman was on board who had deserted her six weeks' old child in the ladies waiting room in the depot at Schell City.

Of course, it was the same old, old story of poverty, the temptation of a scoundrel who made lying promises of love, desertion and desperation.

When the train arrived at Clinton, the authorities arrested the girl and held her to await the arrival of the sheriff from Schell City.

Spring lamb at Stevenson's.

**The New Furniture Arrives.**

The new furniture for the post office building arrived to-day and filled an entire car. It is constructed of cherry and is as good as can be found in the land. The carriers' and mailing cases are models of beauty and the boys say that the fresh, smooth appearance facilitates work.

Take your prescriptions and have them compounded at "Ott Pharmacy."

**A Fine Boy.**

Rev. Henry Loheck, of East Sixth street, is the happy father of a bouncing boy.

**SHOP AND RAIL.****A CURRENT HISTORY OF THE RAILROAD WORLD.****What You Are Doing and Saying and Companies Planning and Executing.**

Division Superintendent Al Marsh came in from Kansas City at noon.

A. W. Dickinson and party arrived in the city yesterday afternoon on a special from St. Louis and left for Kansas City at 7:30 o'clock this morning.

Chas. Fleck, traveling auditor for the "Katy" came up from the south this morning and will remain at home several days at the bedside of his wife who is quite sick.

J. E. Galbraith, general freight agent, and W. L. Maury, auditor of the International and Great Northern road are in the city for a conference with Mr. Waldo, of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas.—*Re-public*.**WAITING FOR THE TIDE.****It Is Thought That Gould Will Go Out.**

Information comes from New York that Mr. Clark, who has been in that city for two days, said last night that he would probable sever his connection with the Union Pacific company and devote his entire time to the affairs of the Missouri Pacific.

The friends of Mr. Jay Gould say that he has no desire to retain the control of the Union Pacific road. He has his hands full without carrying that burden, and he may voluntarily withdraw from the board of directors. George Gould said to-day that his father was perfectly willing to wrestle with the Union Pacific problem if he thought he could do it any better than himself. The Ames men say that there is no disposition to drop Mr. Gould from the directory unless he requests that his name be left off the list.

It was stated on good authority that there has been no change in the position of the Union Pacific affairs. From Captain R. S. Hayes is said to have come the word that he had been offered the presidency, but would only accept it provided he was unanimously elected.

Messrs. Gould and Sage claim that they will make no move in the election. General Manager S. H. H. Clark is in New York and makes his headquarters at the Missouri Pacific offices in the Western Union building. He was seen at noon yesterday but asked to be excused from making any statement whatever, on the ground that he was not in a position to do so. Further than an intimation that no decision had been arrived at, Mr. Clark would not venture. Ex-Governor Ames, of Massachusetts, is reported to have said that a deal to place Captain Hayes in the presidency was under way, and would be completed in this city with the sanction of the Gould interests.

**In the Kansas Town.**

General Auditor Pollock, of the M., K. &amp; T., left yesterday afternoon for a business trip to St. Louis.

President and General Manager Cross, of the M., K. &amp; T., left this morning for a business trip to Texas.

Traffic Claim Agent Drew, of the M., K. &amp; T., returned yesterday afternoon from a business trip to Kansas City.

Mrs. Charles Evans returned yesterday afternoon from Sedalia, where she has been visiting with her parents and friends.

T. E. Swann, chief clerk in the passenger department of the M., K. &amp; T., is in attendance upon the meeting of the Trans-Missouri association at Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. Martin, wife of M. A. Martin, superintendent of bridges and buildings on the M., K. &amp; T., arrived from Sedalia yesterday afternoon and will make her home here in the future.

Miss Mabel Green, stenographer in the office of M. A. Martin, superintendent of bridges and buildings, returned yesterday afternoon from a pleasant visit with friends at Sedalia.—*Parsons Sun*, 21st.**The Brotherhood Officers.**

The board of adjustment of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers on the M., K. &amp; T. railroad, which has been in annual session in Parsons for several days, concluded their labors Wednesday by the election of the following officers for the ensuing year: J. G. West, of Denison, chairman; C. W. Downs, of Parsons, alternate; J. W. Hopper, of Denison, secretary.

Spring lamb at Stevenson's.

**A New Order.**

At the Odd Fellows hall in the Cassidy building to-night Capt. R. P. Archer and wife, of St. Louis, will inaugurate a lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Honor. Some fifty candidates of either sex have applied for membership and will be duly initiated.

Spring lamb at Stevenson's.

**To Investors.**

We have on hand several farm loans bearing seven per cent. interest, secured on improved Pettis county farms worth twice to four times the amount loaned. Those wishing to lend money on absolutely safe security, and where interest payments will be punctual, can find no better investments. We can place any sum from \$300 up.

MOREY &amp; CRAWFORD.

Go to the opening of the Ott

Pharmacy at 508 Ohio, to-morrow.

**HAS THE PRIZE.**

John F. Phelps, the Postal Clerk, Wearing the Prize Given by Uncle Sam.

A number of months ago the general superintendent of the railway postal service offered a costly and elegant gold medal to the most efficient clerk in the United States, the lists being open to all competitors. J. F. Phelps, running between Sedalia and Denison was the lucky man and made the most remarkable record in the entire history of the service, throwing 36,000 cards in a very short time, and making but 11 errors.

The medal was forwarded to Mr. Phelps a few days ago and he is wearing it where all the boys can see it. It is beautiful in design and is well worth the hard contest.

**Will More.**John W. Hicks, the grocer, is preparing to move into the store room lately occupied by Ramsey. He will move on May 1st. The *Bazaar* will at that time tenant its new quarters, the building now occupied by Mr. Hicks.For Summer Corsets try *Bon Marche*.

J. R. Kinkead and Company

of 114 Kentucky street have a few of the latest improved high-arm No. 9 Wheeler &amp; Wilson sewing machines which they will sell at a bargain.

**For Rent.**

Two large front rooms, first floor, at Dr. Cody's, south west corner Third and Kentucky streets.

**Will Supply Themselves.****New Coal Chutes to Be Built on the Old "Y" Ground.**

The M., K. &amp; T. yards are being kept clear to-day for the movement of timber for the new coal chutes which are being erected between Second and Third streets on the old "Y" ground.

The ground has been staked off several weeks and the company has been waiting for favorable weather before commencing work. The construction of the chutes will be done rapidly and it is the intention to have their capacity sufficient to easily supply the demand of a heavy traffic season. Heretofore, the "Katy" engines have been cooled at the Missouri Pacific chutes.

**POLICE COURT.**

His honor, Judge Rauck, read the riot act to seven culprits this morning.

For peace disturbance Jim Tyle and Mattie Clark were fined \$10 and \$20, respectively, while the following parties were taxed from \$5 to \$8 each for trespassing:

Jim Thomas, Chas. Samuel, Jno. Elmer Madison and Tom Ryan.

Spring lamb at Stevenson's.

**Had Their Picture Taken.**

About twenty M., K. &amp; T. shopmen had their picture taken to-day. They were dressed in their work clothes and had the photographer group them together before the rear house near the Fifth street crossing.

The "Ott Pharmacy" makes a specialty of prescription work.

**He Can Suit You.**

If you want a choice veal cutlet or a fine roast, you can get it at the market house from John G. Kehl. He has spring lamb, too, and in fact, anything good that you want in the meat line. Give him a call.

LADDEMAN &amp; HARTSHORN.

Corner Fourth and Ohio.

Go and see the elegant new drug store, 508 Ohio street.

Spring lamb at Stevenson's.

**A New Order.**

At the Odd Fellows hall in the Cassidy building to-night Capt. R. P. Archer

# Sedalia Weekly Democrat.

NEW SERIES.

## THEIR METHODS.

### A GENTLEMAN RELATES SOME EXPERIENCES.

The Counterfeitors Still Flooding Sedalia With Their Pamphlets--Woe to the Sucker.

The lengthy article in Tuesday's DEMOCRAT, while it repeated an often told story, was opportune when it is known that throughout the city parties are in receipt of letters, etc., which make glowing propositions.

The operations of these men disprove the old theory that there is "honor among thieves." It is more than probable that they have no "queer" money for sale. A DEMOCRAT reporter was talking with an Ohio street business man to-day who has a personal knowledge of the way these fellows rope in their dupes. The party who got into their clutches related his experience to the writer's informant.

Several years ago at Macomb, a little village in Ohio, a rather successful and entirely respected business man received from New York a letter similar to the ones now being received in Sedalia. The offers were so golden, the chances of detection so small, according to the story of the schemers, that the gentleman decided to invest \$500. Arrangements were made as to the place where he was to meet them in New York, and he departed upon his dishonorable journey.

He was promptly met and the counterfeitors immediately began to try to alarm him. He was told that it was absolutely necessary to visit a private club house in the suburbs of New York where the "gang" had its headquarters. Upon arriving here, nicely fitted up and comfortable quarters were found.

The man decided to purchase \$2,000 worth of the crooked money. Immense piles of it were shown to him and the amount desired counted out. The money was tied up and carefully put into his satchel. During the time of the "deal," the counterfeiter acted nervously and started at every sound. After the money had been put into the satchel, there suddenly came a knocking at the door. The "crook" jumped and said that officers were perhaps upon them. The satchel was placed behind a counter and the crook and his victim seated themselves at a table and appeared to be talking in a very unconcerned way when a man who proved to be a confederate entered.

He left in a short time, the satchel taken from behind the counter, the man driven to the railway station and started towards his home. Of course the satchel was full of paper. It had been taken through a trap door behind the counter and "relieved" of its contents.

After the dupe had returned to his home, he found out that one of his neighbors had been made a victim of similar circumstances. The two felt so chagrined that they decided to get even.

They took a friend into their confidence and arranged to beat the artists at their own game. The third man went to New York and got the money, which on each occasion before appeared to be genuine or so close an imitation that it was impossible to detect it. The counterfeitors tried to get hold of the satchel in the same old way, but the owner was watching and they were foiled.

On the way to the depot, the stranger and the counterfeiter with whom he had been doing business saw a man approaching who wore a partially concealed badge and appeared to be a detective. The crook claimed to recognize him as such and told the Ohio man to walk straight to the depot in a careless, unconcerned manner. In the meantime, the crook was to take the satchel and reach the depot in a round-about way. This deal knocked out the third man and the Ohio town was \$1,500 in the hole.

A well-known gambler, a "bad man," undertook to paralyze the outfit upon the return of the last man. He loaded himself with several bowie knives and a .44 calibre revolver and started to New York to bring back a carload of the money.

His scheme worked in the territory, last and Farnham.

money. Too much precaution spoiled the plan. He presented a certified check and they refused to accept it--taking nothing but cash.

### CALL FOR PRIMARIES.

Notice to the Democratic Voters of Pettis County.

The democratic voters of Pettis county are hereby notified that at a meeting of the democratic county central committee held on April 16, 1892 the following call for a primary election was duly ordered:

A primary election shall be held at the various voting places in the respective townships of the county on Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1892. All democratic voters who will be qualified to vote at the next general election shall be entitled to vote at such primary election. The polls shall be open from 10 o'clock a. m. to 6 o'clock p. m. on the day of the election. At said election the candidates for the various county and township offices shall be voted for and those respectfully receiving the largest number of votes shall become the nominees of the democratic party. In the same manner a committee-man to serve for the ensuing two years shall be chosen from each township, except Sedalia township, in which three shall be chosen. At said primary election there shall also be chosen delegates to a county convention to be held on Monday the 9th day of May, 1892, at the court house in Sedalia at 11 o'clock a. m. Such convention when organized shall have full power to select delegates to represent the democratic voters of Pettis county in the three state conventions in the congressional convention, in the state senatorial convention and in all judicial and other democratic conventions in which the democratic voters of Pettis county may be entitled to representation. And in the event that the apportionment of delegates or the necessary call may not have been for any of such conventions at the time of the meeting of the convention hereby called, then this convention hereby called may adjourn to the call of its chairman or adopt any other method, which to it, in its judgment or discretion, may be deemed best, by which to select delegates to any said convention not then called. The various townships shall be entitled to representation in said convention on the basis of one delegate for every fifty votes cast for Cleveland in 1888 and one for every fraction of twenty-five or over, as follows:

TOWNSHIP. DELEGATES.

Heath's Creek..... 4  
Longwood..... 3  
Houstonia..... 2  
Blackwater..... 3  
Lamonte..... 5  
Dresden..... 2  
Cedar..... 2  
Bowling Green..... 2  
Smithton..... 2  
Prairie..... 1  
Elk Fork..... 2  
Green Ridge..... 3  
Washington..... 2  
Flat Creek..... 3  
Lake Creek..... 1  
Hughesville..... 2  
Sedalia..... 25

The returns of votes cast for delegates to said convention shall be made at 11 a. m. on Monday, May ninth, (9th) 1892, to the committee on credentials of said convention. All other returns shall be made on Tuesday, May 11th, 1892, at 11 a. m., to the Democratic Central Committee at the court house in Sedalia, at which latter time and place the newly elected central committee will proceed to meet and organize.

Done by order of the Democratic Central Committee of Pettis county.

CHAS. E. YEATER,  
Chairman.

J. REESE WADE, Secretary.

### WASHOUT.

### The Heavy Rains Do Much Damage in Cole County.

The fast mail train due here at 7:55 a. m., from St. Louis was delayed nearly five hours Wednesday on account of a washout some twelve miles below Jefferson City.

The heavy rains swelled the Osage beyond her banks, causing her to flood that section round about Chamois, wading away fences, water gaps, culverts and a number of bridges.

Several hundred ties were washed from the railroad bed near this point and as a matter of course impeded further traffic till the track was put in shape.

His scheme worked in the territory, last and Farnham.

## SEEKING SUCKERS.

### GANG OF COUNTERFEITERS ARE WORKING THE COUNTRY.

The Shavers of the Queer Endeavoring to Secure Confederates in Sedalia--Their Methods.

John B. Rickman, the butcher, is in receipt of a letter from New York City that the portly gentleman justly regards as an insult to his integrity, in the first place, and to his being taken for a consummate fool, in the second place. The envelope is addressed in a neat, plain hand and resembles the penmanship of a woman. The postmark bears the date of April 16th.

Below will be found the bulk of a "quiet" pamphlet which lays before the supposed fool the glittering proposition of the sharks:

### STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

MY DEAR SIR:

I am desirous of obtaining a good shrewd agent in your locality to handle my "Goods." I enclose herewith a newspaper clipping, which gives all the information that could be desired, and which explains itself. Thinking you are in a position to safely handle my goods, I have concluded to write you. If you don't care to invest in this enterprise, I hope you will excuse the liberty I have taken in making the proposition. If you have been unsuccessful in your business, I can supply you with goods with which you can pay off all your debts and start free and clear again. You can purchase mortgages, etc. An opportunity like this to make an independent fortune has never crossed your path before and in all probability never will again as long as you live. It was never intended that one man should have millions of dollars and another nothing, so don't throw away this chance to get riches. Others have grown rich around you, no one knows how. Why not help yourself? If you have not the ready money to purchase my goods, I would consent to your taking some confidential friend in with you, provided, of course, he is trustworthy and could keep a secret.

You must carry the goods away with you, and if you desire it I will see you safely out of the city. I can't consent to send goods either by express or mail.

I know it is quite a journey for you to make, but look at the immense profits to be made, with no risk whatever, and as far as the expenses are concerned, I always make a liberal allowance to cover them. Make up your mind to come on at once. I know you will always look back at your trip to see me with pleasure and profit. My goods are first-class in every particular, and as fine as the newspaper articles speak of."

The "feeler" claims to have hundreds of thousands of dollars from which to select, and the prices are as follows:

"Three hundred and fifty dollars buys four thousand dollars in my goods; five hundred dollars buys fifty-five hundred dollars; seven hundred and fifty dollars buys ten thousand five hundred dollars, and fifteen hundred dollars buys twenty-eight thousand dollars."

Listen to the gall of the "honorable gentleman." "If you will invest seven hundred and fifty or fifteen hundred dollars I will agree to give you the exclusive state right."

His directions are very exact and explicit:

First.—Don't, as long as you live, ever write me a letter, if you do, I shall refuse to receive it, and furthermore, all business relations between us will end. Don't forget this, please, and remember I mean exactly what I say.

Second.—If you wish to come on here and see me, send a telegram, a copy of which is herein enclosed. Send this telegram as it reads, and is signed on enclosed slip. Remember, send no letters; telegrams only received.

Third.—On receipt of your telegram I will send you full instructions how to meet me and what hotel to stop at, then no mistake will be made in finding me. Don't think of coming on to meet me without first telegraphing me for instructions, which be sure to follow.

In conclusion I wish to say if you cannot come on here or have no three hundred and fifty dollars to invest simply let the matter drop until you hear from me again.

Now, allow me once more to caution you not to write me. The clothing was examined the body was identified as that of Miss

be true and honorable; do more harm and you will never regret it. You can make money faster and easier by dealing in my goods than you ever dreamed of before in your life.

Yours very truly, in honor and confidence.

If the party receiving the letter means business, he is requested to telegraph to this address: George Rico, Gordon's Ferry, Jackson Co., Iowa.

Ship two loads of each.

Sign your name and post office address.

I shall send you full instructions on receipt of above telegram where you can meet me at headquarters. I only receive my telegrams at this address, but transact business elsewhere.

Answer at once. This address good for fifteen days."

The purposed clipping from a newspaper is a rank "fake." Though it looks to be bona fide, yet the deception is apparent to the eye of an experienced printer. It has been printed by the counterfeitors themselves and made to resemble an extract clipped from a paper. Below is an extract from the article which was sent out as a special from Washington, dated March 5:

"Some curious facts have leaked out in regard to the mismanagement of the Engraver's department. It is a well-known fact that there has been two millions in greenbacks of the denominations of 1s, 2s and 5s, fraudulently and successfully issued, and it is also supposed that these sharp scoundrels are in possession of other plates. Now, was the work done in the engraver's department or were the plates loaned or stolen? This fact has defied the government detectives, for there must be some one who stands in high favor supplying these men.

Now it is certain beyond a doubt that there is some person in the engraver's department at Washington furnishing exact imitations of the 1, 2 and 5 plates, and it is also strongly suspected that they have from \$600,000 to \$800,000 in 10s and 20s, but this fact is not known as yet, and perhaps never will be; one thing is certain, these gentlemanly high-toned scoundrels are in collusion with some one in high power in the engraver's department, as the experts have time and again critically examined some of these supposed duplicates from the original plates, and they give it as their opinion that whoever furnished the plates also furnished the same paper as that used by the government.

Now the question is, did they get the fibre paper from some government official or did they bribe some trusted servant, was it manufactured? This question has remained unanswered for two years, and perhaps will remain so for a life time."

The counterfeitors evidently have some one already at work in or near Sedalia. A DEMOCRAT reporter was shown, a few days ago, a remarkably well executed five dollar note bearing the picture of U. S. Grant. The engraving is very minute, even to the small lines.

One of the principal inaccuracies is the lack of skill shown in drawing the face of the picture. The outline is good but there is not sufficient compactness in the lines. Nine people out of ten would accept the bill without any questions.

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stated that he was not quite sure, but thought Smith collected between \$75 and \$100 due him after quitting the house.

"It was only recently that I ascertained that I had been victimized," said Mr. Bengley, "else I would have caused his arrest before this."

After leaving Bengley, Smith entered the employ of Jim O'Brien, the cigar manufacturer and here, too, he was arrested on a similar charge, during the early part of the winter.

He was indicted by the grand jury and the charge is now pending before the circuit court.

While it is possible for all the charges preferred against Mr. Smith to be false, yet circumstances would indicate that it stands him in hand to introduce splendid counter evidence before he can be wholly exonerated.

### MAKES ALL THE WORLD AKIN.

How Genuine Sympathy Brought Tears to the Eyes of a Fallen Woman.

The influence of unostentatious charity was well shown at the depot last Tuesday by the purse raised by several young men in the building to assist an unfortunate and destitute woman to Kansas City. Not only was a ticket purchased for her, but money was given to pay expenses.

This girl, like many another young woman, had been weak in the moment when she should have been strongest. In a moment of darkness she had lost a jewel far more priceless than the rarest gem that ever gleamed on the brow of an earthly queen. Contact with the world had hardened her heart and she at first roughly resented any questions concerning herself.

A gentleman noted for his kindness and charity gently told her that those who were lending their assistance cared to know nothing about her history. Her actions indicated that this was different treatment from what she had been receiving and a flood of tears told better than words what kindness and human sympathy can do for downfallen and wandering women.

### DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

## alia Democrat.

**H**the streets that are most in f paving.

**DEI** road question will not be an n politics—everybody favors his roads.

**ladies of Missouri are tak- deep interest in the state's Vt at the World's fair.**

**United States has paid Italy it so indemnity for the killing of ne Italiens at New Orleans. The of y is to be distributed among in eirs of the dead men.**

**DEMOCRAT hopes and be- Hs the democrats of Pettis coun- to make a clean sweep this fall, ce y will nominate such a ticket m is possible for them to name.**

**Tens thing of club organization i not be neglected by Pettis ty democrats. Remember, a th sweep this time will make less in future contests more min.**

**DISPATCH to the St. Louis aonicle says that Senators Vest f Gorman are trying to make ice between the rival demo- tive of securing the solid sup- t of the party for Cleveland.**

**THE principle of taxing the mil- lons of consumers in this country en- rich a few individuals and cor- rations who have invested their pital in certain manufacturing in- stries must cease. It is making llionaires and paupers too fast.**

**THE prohibitionists and "people's ury" are getting ready for a gigan- c struggle to decide the momentous ession as to which is entitled to ird rank among the political arties of the state. At least that ill be the only practical result of the struggle.**

**RUMOR has it that Greene county ill present one of her favorite ons for the position of presiden- ial elector for this district. It is certainly a modest request, and if our new neighbors present the right kind of a man, and they have plenty such among them, there is no reason why the request should not be granted.**

**JERRY SIMPSON says Weaver and Polk will be the third party ticket for president and vice-president, and then his imagination asserted itself and he predicted that his party would elect one hundred members of congress this fall and carry eight states. What a novelist Jerry would make!**

**THE Nebraska democrats in their state convention adopted resolutions endorsing Cleveland's administra- tion, but refused to instruct their delegates to the national convention. A resolution favoring free coinage of silver was defeated by a close vote. Gov. Boyd heads the delega- tion to Chicago.**

**For the fifth time at least, Sedalia has begun work on its kite-shaped mile track.—Mexico Ledger.**

**Yes, and will begin work every morning, when it isn't pouring down rain, until the track, the best and fastest in the world, is completed. But how many times has work begun on the Mexico kite-shaped mile track, and how far has the work progressed?**

**THE DEMOCRAT is pleased to learn that Messrs. Theo. H. Fisher and A. W. Archer have leased the Sentinel office and will continue the publication of that paper. They are deserving young men, good printers, and will publish a paper of which the republicans of Pettis county may well feel proud. May they meet with abundant success in everything except politics.**

**THE Gazette talks of the "re- demption of Missouri." Our con- temporary is twenty years behind the times. Missouri was redeemed when the republican party was overthrown, and her prosperity has been wonderful. The campaign carried on against the state by the Globe-Democrat has hurt it some, but the people of the state have rebuked that campaign just as the citizens of Sedalia lately rebuked the course of the Gazette.**

**having lived next door to the Sturte- tery to the general, he does not vant home on Gill street when they meet in Memphis Tenn., May 19. legislature two terms.**

**Mrs. Stevens' daughter, Mrs. Farnham, to do business with at Collins**

**a good chance to make a practical demonstration of that earnestness by going to work and making the road—or the street rather—to the cemetery what it ought to be. It will cost some money, but Sedalia is perfectly able to stand the expense. Every enterprising, public spirited citizen will give something toward an improvement that everybody admits the need of.**

**REPUBLICAN journals which point to the low price of labor in "free trade" England will find that wages are even lower in the "protected" countries in Europe. On an average "free trade" England pays better wages than any of her neighbors who practice the "protective" policy. In this country, too, those industries which are not protected pay at least as high wages as are paid by those which are the beneficiaries of the protective system.**

**MORE THAN THE TARIFF.** He is a superficial thinker indeed who sees no difference between the democratic and republican parties save upon the tariff question.

**The difference between the two parties is more serious than that.**

**The iniquitous protective tariff grows out of a perverted idea of the functions of government, and it is this erroneous idea carried into practical affairs which has produced the evils that are oppressing the masses to-day.**

**The republican statesman looks upon the government as a sovereign for whom the people are created; believes that all rights are enjoyed through concessions of this sovereign; and that it is the duty of government to treat the masses as a parent would the children who are dependent upon him, giving one a privilege here and another there, taking from one and giving to another, encouraging this pursuit and burdening that, and exercising generally a sort of paternal control over the people.**

**This idea takes shape in a protective tariff system which proposes to encourage certain pursuits by enriching those who engage in them. It says to the masses, "All you have, you enjoy from me; it is mine, not yours; you must give a portion of what you accumulate to this one, or that one."**

**This makes a favored class in this country, just as favored classes have existed in the countries of the old world where the ruler (the government) is regarded as the "father" of all.**

**Again it took shape in a financial policy which, at a time when there were two classes, debtors and creditors, deliberately changed the standard of measure and thus enriched the creditor at the expense of the debtor, and while it made millionaires of the favored few members of the family, at the same time made paupers of millions.**

**It takes shape year after year in reckless and wasteful appropriations which have made us the highest taxed country in the world.**

**It took shape in a "force bill," the purpose of which was to take away from the people the right to hold and manage their own elections and place this power in the hands of the "Father in Washington."**

**The democrat regards the government in an entirely different light.**

**He holds that the citizen is a sovereign; that he is born free and independent, entitled to all the rights and privileges that any other man enjoys.**

**He regards the government as the creature, not the creator; he believes that the government has no powers except such as were expressly given it by the people who made it; that it is merely an instrument to record and carry out the wishes of free men.**

**The democrat believes the government is merely a co-partnership formed for certain specified purposes and in which every citizen is an equal partner, entitled to all the privileges of any other partner.**

**The democrat believes that the granting of special favors to certain classes is wrong; that the government has no right to say what legitimate avocation shall be encouraged and what discouraged;**

**that a man who has the inalienable right—indepen- dent of any government—to follow any avocation he**

**earns is his own; that the government has no right to touch one dollar of his earnings save for the purpose of paying the necessary expenses of carrying on such government.**

**This question of individual sovereignty and equal rights of citizens is the real, fundamental difference between the parties. This is the real issue, and the tariff question, the silver question, the elections question, all these and more, are involved in it.**

## 4 DECENT CAMPAIGN.

**THE DEMOCRAT hopes to see the campaign for democratic nominations in Missouri characterized by that decency and courtesy that should ever maintain among gentlemen—especially among gentlemen who are members of the same great political organization.**

**It is natural that democrats should differ as to the merits of gentlemen who are aspiring to public positions, but we should all remember that a desire for political preferment is not dishonorable; that even the very best of men frequently become candidates.**

**That a man asks his fellow democrats to place him in a position of trust or profit gives no one a license to abuse or vilify him, but as a candidate he carries with him all the rights, privileges and immunities that he has enjoyed as a member of society.**

**Sometimes there are real, substantial reasons why a candidate should not receive the honor he asks, and any one who knows of such reasons has the right to make them public.**

**But mere ill-natured abuse has no place in a campaign among gentlemen, and certainly never strengthens a party whose members engage in it.**

## WHY NOT MOVE IT?

**A Boone county man writes to ask the *Journal of Agriculture* "why the agricultural college should be moved from Columbia?" The *Journal* fires back the following:**

**"Before replying to Mr. Dorsett, we want to ask him some questions; we will state, however, as a preface, that we have no objection to Columbia. The presence of the college at Columbia is not what we object to, it is its connection with the university. If the university were elsewhere, we should rather have the college there than at any other point in the state.**

**First.—Why not move it now?**

**Second.—What good has its connection with the university done the college?**

**Third.—What has the college accomplished as a barnacle stuck on the university?**

**Fourth.—What effort has ever been made to make the college effective for the purpose it was intended for?**

**Fifth.—Why has the college been a discreditable and shameful failure, and not averaged one graduate each year of its existence?"**

## SALINE FOR YEATER.

**In speaking of the candidacy of Hon. Chas. E. Yeater for the state senate, the *Marshall Progress* says:**

**"We are happy to say there is at present no avowed opposition to Mr. Yeater. So far as we know all our citizens who have an acquaintance with him earnestly desire to see him sent to the state senate, and we believe that all those who do not know him would feel the same way, were they apprised of his undoubted qualifications to discharge the duties of that important public trust.**

**The vast majority of the people Saline are pre-eminently intelligent and reflective as respects all matters touching the best welfare and honor of their own distinguished and grand county, and of the best interests and fair fame of our good old commonwealth. Such a constituency merits a representative of more than ordinary mark, and that requirement, in our humble opinion, will be well met in the person of Chas. E. Yeater."**

**SOME time ago this paper took occasion to rebuke the *Journal of Agriculture* for its assertion that Dick Dalton was being opposed because he is a farmer. The DEMOCRAT denied the truth of the statement, but this paper must now confess that there is one institution—the dude organ of Gov. Francis in St. Louis—which takes just that ground of opposition to Dalton. It is unfair to the other candidates, however, to let the opposition of the dude organ tell so strongly in**

**legislation two terms.**

## HAS SHE ELOPED?

DETAILS SUGGEST THAT THIS MAY BE TRUE.

Miss Sturtevant's Actions Before Leaving and at the Depot Seem Queer.

While the detectives are still using all their ability to find the whereabouts of Miss Sturtevant, yet it now appears that her lover, Connell, is coming in for a good share of newspaper notoriety. He is being severely criticised and is not taking his medicine very quietly. He proposes to "look into the bottom" of what the editors say concerning him, and makes known his mind in the following letter in the *Ohio State Journal*, Columbus:

To the Editor of the Journal:

In reply to the piece in the *Enquirer* from Columbus I write you this letter that I wish you to publish. Now it was stated in the morning *Enquirer* that I must know something about the reason why Miss Sturtevant left home. Now, as I have several times stated before, I do not know the reason, and I wish to say right here that the next time any such report comes out that I will go to the bottom of such report and make him or her give proof of their statement. Now, it is also reported in the papers that Miss Sturtevant and I were out on Wednesday or Thursday. Now, it was not necessary to say Wednesday or Thursday, for it was Wednesday evening, and as I have already stated time and again, we started out to call on Miss Cook on Eighth avenue, and after starting from the house Myrtle says: "I would rather take a walk or street car ride; so I said 'we can do both,' and so we did.

Now, it is too bad that I haven't given all my dear friends a full report and number of steps we took on Wednesday night. But I say right here that was it not for the protection of the young lady I should not open my mouth for I do not care one particle for the opinion of the entire city of Columbus at large while I have the respect of her parents and brother, which I know I have. I trust that this will be enough to inform the dear creatures that are trying to make white black.

Now I will say right here that she was loved by her parents and by me, and that as long as there is life in me I shall protect her, so that the editor of each and every paper who receives a report on this case will thoroughly examine it and see if in any way the report reflects on Miss Sturtevant in the least. If so, my advice to him is to be positive where the report comes from, for, as I said, I shall look into it to the bottom and have it proven.

Yours respectfully,

T. F. CONNELL.

The ladies of the North side, in Columbus, are almost unanimously of the opinion that Mr. Connell knows all about the girl and is playing the part of deep-dyed villain. They seem to know him pretty well and every day the detectives find young ladies who know something of his imprudence. It is said that to show his duplicity he called on a lady residing on Goodale street twice a week after he had captivated Miss Sturtevant.

The elopement theory now comes in for a good share of credence, though it is not known who the clandestine suitor could be. There are some who hold to the elopement theory about which there has been very little said. This theory has been hooted at by many, because the young lady wore her old clothes, when she could have dressed herself in her best just as well. It is not generally known there are any circumstances existing to support the elopement theory, but there are and if this theory is the correct one, it shows Myrtle played her part well.

It has been learned that she was having a fine dress made somewhere down in the city, but neither her mother nor any of her friends knew where this was. Those who hold to the elopement theory, reason that she may have received money from the one she was to elope with, got the dress down at her dressmaker's, purchased other necessary apparel and then left. This theory is supported by other very strong circumstances.

It is positively known Myrtle did not leave Columbus on the afternoon train on which Conductor Moore claims to have carried her to Cincinnati. She was met on North High street near Carlisle, Connell & Co.'s store at 4 o'clock on the day she disappeared by a young man who was well acquainted with her, having lived next door to the Sturtevant home on Gill street when they resided there. As she was supported by a young man to do business with at Collins

proves conclusively the conductor was mistaken.

The mysterious actions of the young lady seen in the depot waiting room, her conversation with a gentleman while there, point toward its being Miss Sturtevant. She wore a dress identical with that in which Miss Sturtevant disappeared. It is supposed that this couple left Columbus and took the train at 9:30 o'clock that night. The arrival of a similar couple in Cincinnati and their endeavors to get quarters at the Farmer's hotel about 12 o'clock and their sitting up all night in the hotel office because the rooms were full, connects the theory.

## BIG HAIL STORM.

Damage Caused by Yesterday's Visitation—Window Panes Broken and Fruit Trees Hurt.

The beautiful weather of Sunday proved to be decidedly ephemeral.

The sun shone brightly all the day till about 5 o'clock in the afternoon when the heavens began to darken with lowering clouds. About 7:30 the vaulted sky presented a spectacle that showed a storm was imminent and in half an hour later the warring elements ceased to threaten but to do.

One of the biggest hail storms that visited this section for some time raged for a full hour, and the pelting ice balls fell with such force against window panes that it seemed as if plate glass would be broken.

Hail stones large as partridge eggs fell furiously for awhile and had it not been for the prompt action of many citizens in closing window shutters, there would be quite a demand for glaziers to-day. As it was quite a number of window panes were broken throughout the city.

A passenger from Hannibal reported that the northwestern part of the state was also visited, the storm beginning in that section in the early part of the afternoon.

In addition to the damage mentioned, fruit trees were also hurt, especially those in bloom, for they were stripped of blooms as though visited by an army of Kansas grasshoppers.

## AN EASTERN MAGNATE.

His Visit West and What he Saw in The Territory.

Alan H. Reed, senior member of the mammoth wholesale clothing establishment of Jacob Reed's Sons, Philadelphia, Penn., was in town a few hours Saturday.

Mr. Reed is also vice president of the Choctaw Coal and Railway company and has just returned from the Indian territory where he went to look after the company's interests. While in the territory Mr. Reed took occasion to visit the hordes that at present surround in multitudinous confusion the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation that is to be opened next Tuesday.

Speaking of his trip to a DEMOCRAT reporter Mr. Reed said that the scene baffled any attempt at description.

"There are now nearly twenty thousand people waiting for the gates to open and when this is done the 'maddening crowd's ignoble strife' is expected to exceed even the scenes following the opening of Oklahoma."

## WILL BE YANKED.

The Small Boys who Jump Upon Running Trains Will Have Trouble.

There is much woe in store for the small boys who are in the habit of jumping upon moving trains. Marshal DeLong proposes to put a stop to this dangerous amusement and, if the calaboose some day should resemble a box crammed full of sardines, the parents of these boys should not be surprised.

The fatalities and serious injuries of the past year should in itself be a warning, but if the practice is not discontinued a number of heavy fines will be assessed.

This will be as salutary to the parents as to the boys. The former should know where their boys are and insist that they keep away from the railroads.

## WILL BLOSSOM IN THE SPRING.

Otterville, a much noted station on the Pacific (because of numerous wrecks and robberies happened there) is anticipating a newspaper to blossom out there in a few weeks. It is reported that the Bunceton Eagle will spread its wings and build also in Otterville.

## DESERVED COMPLIMENT.

Rev. A. H. Stephens, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian church of this city, was chosen as commissioner from New Lebanon Presbyterian to the General Assembly that meets in Memphis Tenn., May 19.

Mrs. Stevens and little daughter

at Cheyenne, in the territory, last

and Farnham

## WAR'S GORY HAND.

## AN INTERESTING STORY OF THE FIGHT AT COLE CAMP.

As Related by One Who Enjoyed the Exercises From a Gray Coat Standpoint.

"Well, sir," remarked Robert Walden, of Howard county, to a DEMOCRAT reporter, while the two were eating supper at Sicher's recently, "your town has grown considerably since my first visit here. This was in 1861 and Sedalia, at that time, had a population of little over 300.

"My first visit was made shortly after the Boonville fight, which occurred June 16, when under the late John B. Clark, our boys were put to route with great loss.

From Boonville, those of us who were fortunate enough to escape went to Pilot Grove, thence to Cole Camp.

There were about 300 of us in the company which was made up of remnants of defeated forces and commanded by Col. O'Kabe. We were feeling pretty sore over our defeat at Boonville, which was brought about by reason of our lack of discipline and an opportunity precipitated fight.

Landing at Cole Camp we ran across a Dutch settlement which had always been hostile to the south, stealing everything they could from our side, informing the blue coats of our maneuvers and, in fact, doing everything in their power to bring about our destruction.

Previously suffering from the signal loss entailed at Boonville and mourning deeply over the death of our comrades, our feelings were converted into anger when we came in sight of our enemies at Cole Camp.

Halting on the outskirts of the village we held a brief consultation and unanimously decided to do a little shooting ourselves. Accordingly our men were arraigned in order and the command "forward march" followed by "charge!" was followed to the letter of the law.

When the smoke cleared away, I don't think there was a live Dutchman left in Pettis county.

We then invaded Sedalia and reciprocated the treatment we had been wont to receive from the enemy by stealing everything we could get our hands on.

I remember myself to have filched a sack of cheap John jewelry—and the picnic I did have with the gals when we got to Arkansas—Oh it was great that time I had! They thought I was a dude sure enough!" Mr. Walden is a brother of Capt. C. J. Walden, editor of the Howard county *Advertiser*, each of whom served as a soldier throughout the late unpleasantness.

## A BIG BONANZA.

The Sedalia Mining Company Decidedly of the Opinion That Success Will Follow.

The members of the recently organized Sedalia Mining company were out Friday looking over the ground where prospecting will be begun in a few days. They found brighter and more encouraging indications than they ever supposed had existed. The entire country around in that locality is supposed to be underlined with immense deposits of coal.

The Missouri Pacific runs within half a mile of the coalfields, which will enable the company to run a spur direct to the mines with but very little trouble.

## BUSTED BY BOOZE.

A Texas Editor Who Had Been Drunk Five Months—Robbed While En Route to Toledo.

A fairly well dressed but wretched looking man, aged about fifty, arrived at the union depot Friday night in a state of intoxication.

He said that he had been robbed of every cent he had at Denison and added that if he had sufficient money to telegraph his wife, he would soon secure sufficient means to continue his journey to Ohio. After surrendering the several passes he had as security, the money was advanced and the telegram sent.

Approached by a DEMOCRAT reporter a few minutes later the man related the following story: "My name is A. D. McNutt and I live at Colvert, Robertson county, Texas, where I own and edit the *Courier*.

I was born in Saline county, Missouri, and worked on the old St. Louis Republican years ago. My father, Dewitt McNutt, at one time owned 1,300 acres of land in Saline and was a member of the legislature two terms.

I've been drunk five months

and the clothing was examined the body was identified as that of Miss

Prior to this spell, I have not touched liquor for fifteen years.

During these years I have acquired sufficient means to pay for my printing office, buy a nice home and have a surplus left in the bank.

I don't know what made me jump the track, but I'll never touch another drop if I get out of this fix alive."

McNutt was quite an intelligent man and gave evidence of being well posted on all the leading topics of the day.

## A COAT OF ARMS.

Major A. J. Elliott Relates a Reminiscence of Kansas City in Early Days.

There were but few present at the old settlers' reunion at the court house to-day owing to some misunderstanding about the date.

A DEMOCRAT reporter was talking with Major A. J. Elliott, a well-known member of the society, and found him to be most interesting regarding the times when nothing but wild flowers, buffaloes and Indians covered the prairies of Kansas and the farther west.

Major Elliott was born in Howard county in 1819 and remembers to have seen at one time a thousand and roving Indians around his father's house. He went to California in 1850 "just because other people went" and panned gold on Dry Creek, twenty miles from Sacramento. He crossed the plains seven times with wagon trains, using oxen instead of horses to pull the wagons. A trip generally occupied about four months and was made during the summer. On another occasion, he chased runaway negroes as far as Fort Kearney.

He utilized the Missouri river steamboats to a large extent during the days of their prosperity.

In speaking of the recent event by which the steamer A. L. Mason was almost wrecked at the Kansas City wharf, he said that in his time Kansas City was known as the best landing between St. Louis and Council Bluffs.

Mr. Elliott is possessed of quite an amount of dry humor. Kansas City was placed in a rather ridiculous light when her present greatness is considered. The major, with a twinkle in his eye, said that he "was in Kansas City when there was but one place to sleep in, a warehouse in the rear and behind that a solitary jackass." He remembers distinctly of going down over the bluff to gaze upon this discordant object of curiosity.

Here is a chance for the great

city by the Kaw to strike a coat-of-arms, couchant or rampant.

## QUILTY PLAYS QUIT.

Family Troubles Cause Him to Take an Unceremonious Departure.

Ed Quilty, the tailor, sold his shop Friday and left town this morning at 9:15, departing for the south.

His mother, Mrs. M. Casey, who

lives at 313 West Fourth street,

where her son also resided, was visi-

ted by a DEMOCRAT reporter and she apologized for her son's uncer-

emonious departure by saying that he had left on account of family

troubles.

"Eddie settled with all parties in

Sedalia before he left," declared the old lady, "and departed in an hon-

orable way. I don't know where

he will locate, either at Fort Scott

or Memphis, Tenn., but he wasn't

decided which.

"The poor boy," the mother would sigh—"he's had enough trouble to drive him mad. I could

not blame him for leaving a place

where on every hand his relations

were so unpleasant."

Quilty, it will be remembered, was the defendant in a successful di-

vorce suit brought against him

about a year ago, his wife alleg-

ing in her petition, that he maltreated

her without just cause.

"His troubles" had almost been

forgotten, since the divorce, and he

had worked up quite a handsome

trade in the tailor business, which

he conducted on Second street,

between Lamine and Ohio, when his

woes were refreshed last Saturday

night by his former wife's marriage.

"This was more than Eddie

could stand," averred his mother to the reporter, hence his departure.

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We must lose no time in mending our ways.

## A VERDICT.

The DEMOCRAT is a Sedalia paper, essentially and above all things. It labors to upbuild the city, the county, the community which supports it. It lays no claim to public consideration for its course, being actuated by its sense of obligation and responsibility, and looking to results for the vindication of its course.

But flowers in the pathway of life are more fragrant than those upon the grave. Tributes of faith in the living are more gracious than eulogies after life. And when appreciation for an effort is bestowed it nerves the heart for a greater effort. Hence the following in the *Brunswick*, an ably, conscientiously edited journal, is greatly valued by the DEMOCRAT, and is given the public that that public may know it is being watched by other sections of the state, by other towns, by other people:

The benefit of a good *Democrat* paper in a community has been illustrated by the results of the spring elections in Sedalia. For some two years there was no paper in that city that the democrats could always rely on.

Some four or five months ago, however, the *DEMOCRAT* was started.

It steadily gained ground and friends by its intrinsic worth, its high morality, its sound expressions, its plain advocacy of all things that make up good society.

In time the campaign opened for the spring elections. Each party put up fairly good tickets, but at once the *Gazette*, the republican paper, began to vilify the democratic candidates and the democratic citizens of the city.

It made all sorts of charges. If one-half of what it said was true, Sedalia is the worst town in America, is so low and base and wicked that it deserves to be wiped off the face of the earth. The *DEMOCRAT* knew all these charges were made solely for political effect; that they were untrue and slanderous, although repeated almost daily for over a month. In the face of such charges it is hard for an editor who is trying to conduct a decent campaign to hold his temper and keep down his wrath. But the *DEMOCRAT* did. It made it very plain that the charges of the slanderer should react on his own infamous head. It appealed to the decent men of the town to get out from under the influence of liars and hypocrites and slanderers. The sober, self-respecting thought of the people began to respond and assert itself, and from that time on the campaign of decency, as loftily held up to public gaze by the *DEMOCRAT*, gained in force and finally won, and the victory is no less one for decent journalism than it is for democratic politics.

## EMBODIED CONCEIT.

In all political history perhaps there never was a more magnificent spectacle of virtuous assurance than that presented by what is designated by eastern writers as the "discreet minority" of the democratic party.

With a consciousness of immeasurable superiority the efforts of the great working and sustaining force of the democracy is referred to as the "great turbulent majority," and the commiseration manifested for the untaught advocates of democratic principles is something to excite the awe of man and the admiration of the gods.

The *Review of Reviews*, a remarkably well edited and able magazine of New York, discusses the democratic outlook in a very fair manner for a New York periodical, and sums up the whole in a striking yet not altogether improbable suggestion that an independent Cleveland party may be the outgrowth of the situation.

The *Review* is a mugwump in political faith, which faith has about defined itself as of the nature of what was once known as Randallism.

This faith is anti-silver, anti-low tariff democracy, whatever that may be. It is contra-distinguished from republicanism by being opposed to McKinley high tariff, and in not much of any other way. It is opposed to the extravagant policy of the billion dollar congress, and the party, if the adherents of the faith may be so denominated, is largely composed of moderate republicans who disapprove of the personal venality of leaders high in party councils, of self-styled democrats who believe in class legislation in finance and taxes, and men who have no politics, who feel no political responsibility, who are ignorant of everything pertaining to government, and are willing to trust their public welfare in the hands of any man whom they believe to be

the *Review* to do business with.

This distinction is not one which in any way distracts from the reputation or general usefulness of Missouri members. The delegation from this the greatest state in

party faith to that of any other represented. It ranks thus in Washington, and ranks thus in the country at large, and it is infinitely more to the credit of Mr. Heard that he has won a place among the best of the state's representatives by hard work and without those brilliant qualities which usually mark the successful man of reputation—qualities that are specialties and which leave their pos

sessors without the practical powers and influences that count in all sorts of battles and burdens and struggles which are intricate and wearying and demand patient fortitude and enduring labor to bring into practical usefulness some idealistic vision of political utopianism fired into the air by the guns of those who are reckoned as the brilliant men of the county. Men of common sense, men of usefulness, men of worth, are, like Mr. Heard, men of simple ideas, men capable of grasping the problems of government and reason them to a plain and conclusive solution, men who are possessed of the genius of application, and tireless energy, and dauntless determination. These are the men who make the integrity of our institutions secure, who make possible the further enfranchisement of society, and the defense from monopolistic encroachments rugged and impregnable. It is men of this character who really carry forward the work of economic progress and stand between the democracy of our institutions and the power of money kings and invading class rights.

Mr. Heard will have no opposition in this his new district. He is appreciated, and, though his home is in Sedalia, he is no longer a Pettis county man, but a representative of the district, a Missourian. His services now approach to the dignity of his district, which has no special interests to serve that are not interests of the whole land from ocean to ocean, from Canada to the gulf. He, like his district, stands for the money of the constitution, taxation limited to the demands of an economical government, the sovereignty of the individual, the equality of the people in all relations to law, and all doctrines which are dear to the people and tend to elevate and purify and build them up, not in classes, not in sections, not in favorite latitudes or longitudes or conditions, but everywhere, equally, together, entirely.

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Then, to quote from this New York political authority, "the party will be doomed for a generation."

An independent democratic ticket is made a probability, with Cleveland as the rallying chieftain of the Pharisical clans.

So let it be.

When any party must yield its principles to placate the god of success it should go down in battle but in honor. And until the democracy throws off the yoke of the money power; until the enemies of the people are expelled from leadership; until pure and honest purposes are made the sole criterion of its action, it must expect nothing but defeat, it has a right to expect nothing else.

Until the dictation of the money-power is defied the west will not rally to our standard. Why should it? If we preach low taxes, and choose high-tax leaders; if we preach popular money, and select gold-standard leaders; if we preach equality, and choose pluto

crats to direct our actions, what right have we to call upon the west and the south, the laborer and the mechanic, the agriculturist and the producer to join our army, which is flying the flags of one faith and obeying the orders of another faith, as clear a demonstration of piracy as was ever attempted by buccaneers under the flag of an honest government.

Mr. Heard stands upon the Missouri delegation with Bland, Hatch and Dockery, and his personal influence in general in the greatest legislative body of the world is probably greater than any of them. Mr. Bland, upon finances, Mr. Hatch upon the agricultural interests and Mr. Dockery upon postoffice matters all take precedence of Mr. Heard, but as a man who represents the best interests of the democracy of the country upon all questions taken together Mr. Heard in the opinion of the *DEMOCRAT* ranks every member of the Missouri delegation in the house of representatives.

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## LIQUOR DEALERS.

FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION  
MEETS IN SEDALIA.Fraternity and Mutual Protection  
The Object and Aim of the Organization—An Interview.

The fourth annual convention of the Liquor Dealers Benevolent association of the state of Missouri met in this city Tuesday last at 11 o'clock.

The convention was in session two days, closing Wednesday night when a grand banquet was given at Kaiser's hotel.

The object of the association may best be understood by the following section taken from the constitution of the association:

"The objects of this association are to promote temperance and the good order of society by aiding in the enforcement of all laws and ordinances regulating the manufacture and sale of liquors, to promote temperance in the use of liquors, especially with respect to those who are addicted to the intemperate use thereof; to create and maintain a fund for the relief and aid of the families of sick, disabled or deceased members; and to unite fraternally the members of the association by the above ends, that their combined efforts may be devoted to the purpose of public usefulness and benevolence above expressed."

The association has a membership of from 800 to 1,000 in the state and as each sub-council is entitled to one delegate to every twenty-five members or fraction less than twenty-five, the attendance of several hundred may be expected.

It requires five members to constitute a sub-council.

The convention while in session allowed no communication with the outside world, only members of the association being allowed seats in the assembly.

In course of an interview had with state president, Mr. H. J. Hinsman Tuesday morning, the gentleman stated to a DEMOCRAT reporter that the chief exercise would be the grand president's annual report to the association.

"We are banded together" remarked Mr. Hinsman, "to promote harmony among men of our class which is composed, not of what is known as dive keepers, but intelligent honest, upright citizens engaged in a legitimate business."

Furthermore we are united for mutual protection; there is a fraternity existing among us not less obligatory than Odd Fellowship or Masonry.

We protect one another from oppression, and see to it that the interests of each individual member are kept inviolate.

The organization is the outgrowth of the Masons' action in expelling us from their fraternity and as we transact business on the same principal as other citizens, we see no reason why we should not be entitled to the same privileges and prerogatives granted them.

Why not? Don't we pay taxes? In the city of St. Louis alone we pay just two-fifths per cent. more than all the other business establishments combined. Last year our tax was \$1,000,000."

Mr. Hinsman is a resident of St. Louis, and has been an Odd Fellow for twenty-five years.

The following are the other officers of the association, each of whom with but one or two exceptions arrived last night:

Con. O'Sullivan, first vice-president.

A. F. Tessmer, second vice-president.

Chas. Schweickardt, secretary.

Michel Juengling, treasurer.

Charles Schattner, ex-president and incorporator.

Charles Schoettler, ex-financial secretary and incorporator.

Adam Offenstein, ex-treasurer and incorporator.

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The organization was set on foot in St. Louis four years ago, the articles of agreement of the association being amended in 1891.

The retiring officers are as follows:

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T. S. Johnson, E. G. Cassidy, Martin Henry, T. C. Martin, A. E. Furber, John W. Howard, John J. Ryan, J. H. Bobring, Phillip Neu. Those who were elected this morning are: John M. Howard, St. Louis, president; Chas. Miller, Kansas City, first vice-president; T. H. Truckenmiller, St. Joseph, second vice-president; treasurer, Mike Juengling, Kansas City; secretary, Chas. Schweickardt. Executive committee: Mike O'Mally, Thomas Martin, Wm. Dalton, John Larson, August Zorn, G. H. Bobring, A. F. Tessmer, Phillip Neu.

Following the election of new officers, the retiring president, Mr. Hinsman, was presented with an elegant gold headed cane presented by the convention. The presentation speech was made by Mr. O'Mally and was happily responded to by the recipient.

In addition to the business already mentioned, which was transacted, the convention recommended that a solicitor be appointed to secure additional members for the association; the membership dues were also reduced from six to two dollars.

None but those who transact business on an honorable and upright basis will be entitled to membership.

To-night at Kaiser's hotel a sumptuous banquet will be enjoyed.

The following is the programme that will be observed on that festive occasion:

TOASTS.

Toastmaster, E. G. Cassidy.

"Our Association, its Aims and Objects," H. J. Hinsman.

"Our Business," Chas. Schattner.

"Sedalia," Hon. E. W. Stevens, mayor.

"Benevolence," John Cashman.

"St. Louis," P. J. Carmody.

"Kansas City," Con O'Sullivan.

"Our Guests," Hon. Geo. F. Longan.

The reception committee is composed of the following gentlemen:

E. G. Cassidy, H. Schmitt, Geo. Fisher, John W. Seibe, Peter Pehl, Chas. Kobrock, Frank Krueger, Chas. Raiffeisen, Jerry Sullivan, W. P. Kimmon, C. Honkomp and A. F. Tessmer.

In conversation with quite a number of the delegates, a DEMOCRAT reporter was gratified to hear all sing the Queen City's praise.

Mr. Hinsman said: "In behalf of the convention you can state that we were never more royally entertained than during our delightful visit to your city. Everything has been done that could be for our comfort and convenience. It is no more a wonder to us that Sedalia is called the Queen City, for in point of genuine, unaffected hospitality she could not possibly be excelled. Each and all of us will depart from Sedalia bearing grateful recollections of our happy visit."

The banquet held at Kaiser's was as successful as could have been possibly expected when the disadvantages of the inclement weather that prevailed are considered.

At an early hour, the delegates, those selected to deliver toasts, and the invited guests, composed of county and city officials and local press representatives assembled in the hotel corridors, where an hour was spent in social conversation.

Rajah Arrives in That City Yesterday Over the C. & A.

The Kansas City Star has the following to say of him: "Rajah, the largest elephant ever captured, arrived in Kansas City at noon today on a special car over the Alton consigned to Lemmon Bros., the showmen. His car is not as palatial as some of the cars on the Alton, being an ordinary flat car to which he was first securely chained and then over him was built a rough plank cabin about half the car in length and a little over thirteen feet high, thirteen feet being Rajah's exact height in his stockings. Rajah is a native of Burmah and was shipped to this country from Rangoon in the steamship, Bagnok. He was on the water forty-two days and showed himself a good sailor, never once showing signs of sea sickness. He is 40 years old, which is considered young. He is just two inches taller than Jumbo and weighs 12,000 pounds."

The guests having been gracefully seated, Mr. E. G. Cassidy, the toastmaster, arose and delivered a welcome address couched in such clever diction and characterized by such worthy sentiment that might have done credit to men of far greater pretensions as a speaker.

Following Mr. Cassidy's address, the following toasts were responded to, each speaker acquitting himself most creditably.

"Our Association, Its Aims and Objects," H. J. Hinsman, ex-president of the association.

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Party to do business with at Collins

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reform. He declares that \$25 honestly earned will go further than \$100 won over the card table, and that the gambler's life has lost all its charms for him. Finally, he has promised to join the church next Sunday.

THE "HOOSIER POET."

James Whitcomb Riley—He Dislikes Inclement Weather— Pleasant Chat.

When the M. K. & T. train came in from the south at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday, attention was attracted towards a woman who alighted from the train and seemed to be in great trouble. She wore a brown dress and a long grey cape which she was careful to hold before her.

Her hat was flat crowned, narrow brimmed and of a slate color and in style resembled that commonly worn by college girls. She had no baggage save a very small satchel with a brown veil tied around it.

The matron of the ladies waiting room at the depot noticed that the woman was crying very bitterly and seemed almost heartbroken. She began questioning her and found that she was from Denison, Texas, and had a ticket from that point to Warrensburg, Mo. The woman said that she was on her way to Kansas City.

Upon closer observation, the matron saw that the woman was about to become a mother and that the event was not far distant.

She desired to obtain employment somewhere in the city and with this intention called a huckerman whom she instructed to take her to the hospital. Upon arriving there, she applied for work but failed in her object.

She returned down town and secured the services of a negro to help her find a place. A number of houses were visited in the south part of town, but the scarlet letter was upon her and every door was closed in her face. Completely disheartened, she returned to the waiting room at the depot.

Here she was seen by a DEMOCRAT reporter who found her to have unusual tact in keeping her story.

Her manners were unrefined, but her language at times showed evidence of former culture. She was penniless and without a friend in the city. As she sat there with her swollen eyes and tear stained face, her skirts bedraggled by the rain that was falling in torrents, the gloom of the day and the leaden sky were doubtless fair when compared to the shadows that darkened her soul.

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## G IN YEARS.

ss He Was a Bold Highwayman.

## SESSION OF HIS ACTIONS.

Top, a Seventeen-Year-Old Boy, is of Several Parties Whom Has Held Up at Kansas City, Mo.

City, Mo., April 18.—Some were playing Saturday in the liberty lot across the street Alexander street. In a hollow found a revolver, some money in chain. They told the police lay in wait. At night us and Sergt. Burgess arrested ishop as he was about to look property. They took him to o, 5.

station he was searched. There found exhibit B, and this is as: 1 black false mustache, 1 tick false mustache, 1 black sk 1 pawn ticket for a silver gold watch, 1 police star "City Marshal," 1 nickel novel, novel was entitled "Jack and His Electric Turtle; or, the Pirates of the Spanish y Noname. It was one of the s of "The Boy's Star Library." O. Bishop is 17. He is a neat lad, well bred, tender hearted, not look "tough."

mission is as follows: "I went a business about two months use I was in debt. I've been for a man named Gordon who ter and lives at 1609 Alexander

Don't put his name in the paper.

ood man and he didn't have any- do with this. I owed money and I

o something to pay it. I gave

wages to my father. He's been

k to work for a long time. I

32.60. Yes, some of it was for

tes. I don't say who I owed it

course I read novels, but they

have anything to do with this. I

pay my debts somehow. There

o fellows that came to me last

and said this was a good

ss and wanted me to go

ith them. But I didn't.

I got ready I went in for my- do all my work alone. I've held up

en. One of them didn't get into

pers. Yes, that list is right, just

ave it to the captain. The one

didn't get into the papers was one

six weeks ago way out on Myrtle

o outside the city limits. That

a man I tried to hold up and he

at me and I shot at him. It was

and we chased around a good deal.

red five shots at me and I fired

at him. I had two revolvers.

say, Lieutenant, won't you come

please? There's one thing I for-

to tell. If you will go and look

the sidewalk in front of 1725

tgall avenue, you will find the other

ver. It's a British bulldog. Just

in front of the house and go three

o and this is under the walk." This first man I held up last night,

the other one, too, that I shot at,

came along. I wasn't looking for

n, but for another man. They just

o along, and so I took them in. I

laying for a gambler who lives out

way. I expected to get about \$300

in him. No, I don't know that he

it, but he is a gambler and always

ries about \$200 or \$300. I missed

though, but I got a gold watch

o one man. I didn't mean to shoot

ills. That revolver I used that

is too easy on the trigger and I

led on it a little too hard and it

off.

"Last night I swore off. I wasn't go-

g to stay in this business any more. I

as going to give the watch back, too,

soon as I could without raising sus-

cion. I don't know how much I got

together. Not over \$40. A man named

(mentioning a name) who

ves at Howard and Indiana stole one

ver watch from me. He just took it

nd some of my money, too. That was

ood's watch. He was the one-armed

an.

"No, I didn't spend my money on any

irl. I had a girl. She's a nice girl. I

ave taken her to the theater once since

went into this business. That's all

he money I spent. After I got out of

lbt I suppose I kept on just to get

spending money. That's the reason I

id it, I guess. I saw that man who

red the five shots at me on the street

and I told him I lived out that way and

heard the shooting, and he said yes, he

was the man, but the fellow hadn't

been arrested yet."

Emmett R. Perry, of 2426 Montgall

avenue, owns the gold watch taken

from young Bishop. The boy stopped

him at the corner of Monroe and Mat-

thew avenues about 11 o'clock. He had

on his mask and presenting his revolver

ordered Perry to hold up his hands.

From him he took his watch and chain

and some small change.

H. O. Wheeler is a musician in the

orchestra of the Grand opera house.

On last Friday night at 11:30 he was stopped

near his home at 816 East Fourteenth

street, that is at the intersection, by a

masked highwayman and ordered to

hold up his hands. Wheeler raised his

violin case to use as a weapon and the

highwayman shot at him, the ball strik-

ing the case and then ran away. That

was Bishop, too, he confesses.

John O. Bishop lives with his parents

at 3109 East Sixteenth street. His

father is George D. Bishop, a com-

mercial traveler.

He has worked for Griffith, the drug-

gist, and for North, Orrison & Co., and

also for Bullene, Moore, Emery & Co.,

and he remained in each place for the

space of a year or more and his employ-

ers speak well of him. He has always

been a Sunday school attendant, going

to church up to the last Sunday before

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## NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

It Was Disagreed For Some Time in the House, but No Action Was Taken.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—After routine business the house went into committee of the whole, Mr. Shively, of Indiana, in the chair, on the naval appropriation bill.

Mr. Pendleton, of West Virginia, opposed the motion made by Mr. Holman to strike out the clause for the construction of one armed cruiser and also Mr. Boutelle's amendment for the construction of two battle ships and torpedo boats.

Mr. Holman criticised the appropriations made for the construction of the navy during the past few years and for the maintenance for the naval establishments. He asked who was demanding a great navy? Who was asking for it? What class of our people? What was the emergency that required the expenditure of this vast sum?

Mr. Fellows, of New York, was glad that the issue had been drawn on this question. He hoped that the country, through its representatives here, would become compelled to place itself on record at once and forever as to whether it desired to stop the work which was designed to sustain the honor of the flag, protect the honor and dignity of the American navy and which was a measure of truer economy than any other that could come before congress.

Mr. Baker, of Kansas, opposed the increasing of the navy, contending that the greatest bulwark of American independence was the happy homes of the people.

Pending further discussion the committee rose and the house adjourned.

## CONDITION OF WINTER WHEAT.

Reports Say That the Prospects Are for an Average Crop.

TOLEDO, O., April 18.—Two thousand crop reports have been received here from the grain dealers of Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas and Missouri, which raise two-thirds of the winter wheat crop of the United States.

Present prospects are for an average wheat crop. Michigan reports the best prospects above an average, while Indiana and Illinois show nearly as well. Ohio promises below an average, also Kansas and Missouri, from which the reports are not quite complete. The prospects are somewhat less favorable than a year ago.

Prospects have improved in all of the states since two weeks ago, when the agricultural bureau report for April was gathered. Indiana shows the most improvement and Missouri the least. Over two-thirds show from a small to a slight improvement owing to the more favorable weather. There was a much smaller amount of winter killed than usual, nearly half reporting none.

There is about a quarter of the last wheat crop remaining in those states. Michigan reports the largest per cent age, Ohio and Indiana the next, while Illinois and Missouri have the smallest.

Farmers are not selling at present, partly owing to bad roads. A large majority say they will sell next month, if prospects for the growing crop do not become worse, but a quarter of the reports say farmers are now disposed to carry their surplus over unless prices improve.

## Central Kansas Teachers.

EMPORIA, Kan., April 18.—The Kansas Central Union Teachers' association's annual meeting has closed. Class work in drawing was finally exemplified by Miss Emma L. Gridley, of the state normal, and discourses were supplied by Superintendent Bloss, of Topeka; President Hendy, of Emporia college, John McDonald, editor of the Western School Journal; Miss Alfreda Judd, of Emporia; Prof. A. H. Newton, principal of the Americas school; Prof. W. L. Huggins, principal of the Kansas avenue school, Emporia, and Dr. L. A. Bidez, musical director of the state normal school.

## To Fight During Derby Week.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Slavin and Jackson have signed an agreement to fight before the National club during Derby week for \$2,000. An important clause in the articles is that the ring must be less than twenty feet square.

Jackson has chosen his training quarters near St. Peters.

## CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

The president has granted a pardon to Samuel Bloomfield, of Indiana, convicted of counterfeiting.

The cattlemen prisoners at Fort McKinley have been ordered into the custody of the territory authorities.

Private Secretary Halford has resumed his duties at the White house. He is still very weak, however, from his recent illness.

Rear Admiral George E. Belknap has been assigned to duty as president of the board of inspection and survey at Washington.

For the first time in the history of the world, cotton was ginned by electricity at the agricultural and mechanical college of Alabama, at Auburn on Saturday.

Gov. Francis Saturday appointed James L. Thompson county clerk of Clay county, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the recent death of Col. L. W. Burris.

Post office inspectors have arrested a green goods dealer who has been carrying on business under the name of E. Lafforgne from two or three addresses in New York.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 18.—At an early hour a fight took place between colored men in the north part of the city, during which Jerry Nichols shot and seriously wounded Marshall Wake.

The following new post offices have been established in Indian territory: Star, Choctaw nation, J. B. Breckett, postmaster, in Oklahoma; Davenport, "A" county, Nettie Davenport, postmistress; Plumb, Payne county, W. C. McCoy, postmaster.

The members of the medical board at Melbourne, Australia, the appointment

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## HIS RECORD.

CONNELL SAID NOT TO BE A MODEL YOUNG MAN.

## DETAILS OF THE TRACE

Found at Pataskala.—Miss Mead Writes a Letter to Sedalia—Thinks Her Deranged.

A DEMOCRAT reporter to-day was in possession of a letter from Miss Hattie Mead, the young lady whom Miss Sturtevant was thought to be visiting before her prolonged absence caused her parents to think otherwise. Miss Mead is strongly of the opinion that her friend has become deranged. Connell is censured by Columbus people as being the cause of her derangement and is said to be a fraud.

## Connell's Record.

The DEMOCRAT gives considerable of his record below and it is anything but creditable to him. The news was received in a letter this morning. Part of the contents of the letter are as follows:

"T. F. Connell came from Delaware, O., to Columbus several years ago. His father now lives near Delaware and has the reputation of being a very honorable man. He spells his name O'Connell, however, and the reason why the son discarded the Irish prefix will be found below. Mr. Connell was employed as a collector by Messrs. Haskett and Jones, the furniture men, and made quite a success at this work. He is a man of fine physique, with handsome black hair and mustache, and upon first appearance he makes a favorable impression. As a collector he was admitted into many homes and was not slow to make the acquaintance of numerous young ladies. He aspired to be a masher, and it is claimed he dropped the 'O' from his name so as to give it more tone. He became quite an adept in the art of flattery and in his own opinion stood high in the ranks of mashers. His reputation among the young ladies of the north side is anything but enviable. He made his open boasts of what he had done, to his gentlemen friends.

A gentleman who knows him well says: "Connell is a man who believes there is no virtue in any woman. He is a pretty good-looking man and is so stuck on himself he thinks no girl can look at him without falling in love with him. Then he is strangely persistent and wants to go after almost every girl he sees. I have repeatedly heard him boast of what he has done."

A story of one of his escapes stamps him as a scoundrel in showing the advantage taken of a young lady with whom he got acquainted at a dance at Mr. Carlile's house.

Connell was Mr. Carlile's partner at the time. He practiced his tactics on the young lady and asked to call on her, which was granted. It so happened that the young lady's parents were absent when he called, and in the course of the conversation the fact was revealed. Connell did not wait long until he forcibly embraced the young lady and kissed and caressed her. He went on to tell how he had fallen in love with her at first sight, and in the course of his passionate remarks made a suggestive proposal. The young lady repelled him and her parents arrived soon. He then had the cheek to ask if he could call again in the presence of her parents and the young lady in her embarrassment did not dare refuse him. However, she had the good sense to relate the facts to her mother the next day. The mother knew if her husband was informed of the facts he would likely do violence to Connell and took another way preventing any further approaches to her daughter. The next time he called the mother stayed in the room the entire time. Connell has never called since.

Public sentiment is so strong that Mr. Connell found it convenient to withdraw from the firm of Carlile, Connell & Co., and it will now be Carlile & Son. The first suspicious circumstance in the present case was in destroying the note which Miss Sturtevant left before any one but himself had read it. He has never had any particular theory as to why the young lady left home, although he enjoyed her fullest confidence. To her parents he claimed his intentions were honorable, and when closely questioned he spoke of the lady as a pure, sweet girl.

## Concerning Miss Sturtevant.

About the last thing which Miss Myrtle did before she left home was to finish painting a rose twig with buds and blossoms on the end of a throw. It is a very pretty little thing and who will say that it is not emblematic of her purer nature whatever her fate may be? It was reported several days ago that a good clue had been found near being bloodshed at Chetona, in the territory last and Farnham.

Pataskala, Ohio. Here are the details: "What appears to be a good clue as to the whereabouts of Miss Myrtle Sturtevant comes from Pataskala, Licking county, and there is but little doubt the missing girl spent Monday night there.

The following from a Cincinnati paper, combined with the feather incident, might reasonably lead one to suppose that she used means to disguise herself:

"Dr. Edward Martin, of Loveland reported to the police that he had seen Miss Sturtevant on Fourth street Monday. He thought, however, that her hair seemed lighter than before, and it is an extraordinary fact that every person who has testified to having seen Miss Sturtevant has described her as having light hair. Her hair is dark. The testimony of persons who were unacquainted with her has been discredited because of this discrepancy in description. That of Dr. Martin must stand, however, as he is well acquainted with Miss Sturtevant's appearance, and is positive in his statement that he saw her, recognized her fully and mentally noted the change in the color of her hair. It does not seem likely that the missing girl would disguise herself with a wig, but is not easy to reject Dr. Martin's testimony."

Mrs. Sturtevant has become so prostrated with grief and the nervous excitement consequent upon so many inquiries that the house at No. 427 West First Avenue has been closed to visitors and reporters.

Up to a short time before the DEMOCRAT goes to press, no additional details of any import had been made known. The DEMOCRAT has a representative at Columbus who will keep the readers informed of any positive information.

Mr. Sturtevant is very much disengaged and has almost abandoned hope of locating her.

## Surgeon as a Literary Man.

G. W. Smalley's London Letter.

Spurgeon was no rhetorician, no master of style. His printed sermons will not for a moment bear comparison with Newman's or Lyddon's. It is not quite a fair test. A sermon in print is a dead thing. But it is fair to Spurgeon, because of the immense and amazing numbers of readers he secured for a kind of prose, most of which is, by general consent, more wearisome to the flesh than any other. Probably the secret in his case is the vitality of the man; his force, his earnestness, his energy, his enthusiasm, unquenchable even in print.

As a last resort the girl reluctantly went to the American house, where every kindness was shown her, as she appeared to be suffering great mental agony. The hotel people sympathised with her, and her strange actions were discussed by the guests after she had retired. They all agreed there was something very mysterious about the fair guest, but the generally accepted theory was that it was a wife on the trail of a recreant husband or a deluded sweetheart in search of an unfaithful lover.

Yesterday morning she arose early and tried to shun every one. She wandered into the rear yard where she remained until breakfast was ready. When she was invited to breakfast she said she did not want anything. She had a wild look in her eyes, and the hotel people thought if she would eat something she would feel better. They insisted on her coming in and drinking a cup of coffee or tea, but she refused everything. Seeing it was no use to insist on her eating anything, she was left alone for the time being.

Finally some one determined to find out something about her if possible. She was plied with questions, but very shrewdly evaded most of them. She positively refused to give any name, but said she had been attending college at Delaware and got tired and left. She would not so much as intimate where her home was, and refused to say why she wanted to come to Columbus.

She remained at the hotel till about 8 a. m., when she left. The last seen of her she was going east on the Baltimore and Ohio tracks."

A telegram from Mr. Sturtevant, at Cincinnati, was received by the DEMOCRAT this afternoon and gives rather discouraging news to her friends. It simply says: "Nothing favorable."

## Funds Getting Low.

Marion county is not overstocked with funds at present. There is now only \$12,000 in the county treasury, and this, with about \$3,000 dramshop money, which will come in July, will be all that the county will have to go on until next January. The two terms of court in Hannibal and the two in Palmyra will use up over one-third of this amount. The remainder will pay about 50 cents on the dollar of the ordinary expenses of the county. Just where the money is to come from to build bridges we leave the county court to determine. The Ball bill is a great institution.

*Hannibal Journal.*

Working for the Y. P. S. C. E.

Chas. West left yesterday afternoon for an extended trip through Missouri, Kansas and Iowa in the interest of the Y. P. S. C. E. national convention, which meets in New York on July 7th and continues until the 10th. A special train will leave Sedalia July 4th and go through direct to New York. It is for this train that Mr. West is with credit to himself has now been working.

That Connell's connection with the matter cannot be explained with credit to himself has now been

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## POLITICAL.

## For Congress.

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## Sheriff.

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## LEIA'S NEW RAILROAD.

## Enthusiastic Meeting Held at Brookfield, Mo., Tuesday.

patch from Brookfield, Mo., at an important railroad

was held in that city in the

rical club Tuesday. It was

of the directors of the

eld and Northern and the

eld, Sedalia, Marshall and

n railroads, the new North

outh roads which are to be

through Brookfield. The

was for the purpose of con-

ing the two lines from

ield, Mo., to Centerville,

king a trunk line which is

needed in that section.

as represented by Mr. Wil-

l. Walker, of Marshall, vice

ent, and G. A. C. Woolley,

ringfield, secretary of the

rn road, and W. L. Porter,

alia, and Isaac Myers, Miami,

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ed by Brookfield people, as

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ri at DeWitt in Carroll

, connecting the northern

southern divisions. Articles of

solidation will be prepared at

and capitalists are ready to be

construction. The cities of

ield, Sedalia, Marshall and

Centerville and all im-

iate points are determined

ng the road built, thus giv-

them all an unequalled north

outh outlet.

ch a consolidation will unite

neries of both companies and

forth greater results than

could obtain singly.

r. W. L. Porter returned from

ield at noon and was seen by

MOCRAT reporter. He stated

the meeting was a most har-

ous one and that the directors

highly in favor of consolida-

tion.

he S., S. M. & N. now extends

Springfield to Miami, the

okfield and Northern, from

mi to the state line, and the

extension of the Brookfield

Northern from the state line to

erville, Iowa.

here were four directors from

first road, eleven out of thirteen

the second and none from the

l. It is understood that if the

solidation is perfected, some

of the prominent Iowa trunk

s can be induced to take the

ter in hand and construct the

ds.

t was decided at the meeting to

ct two representatives from each

o confer at a meeting soon to

held in Kansas City, at which all

necessary preliminaries for the

posed consolidation will be

ected. At the close of the

meeting yesterday, the Brook-

and Northern selected as its

representatives Messrs. Bowden and

x. The S. S. M. & N., will se-

it two men at the annual meet-

of the directors held at Spring-

ld next Monday. A meeting of

e subscribers to the road in Seda-

will be held Friday night to nomi-

ate two directors to represent

its county at Springfield.

Sedalia now has a greater show

r another road than ever before.

his combination means strength

and will receive the support of

althy corporations who will

it.

Deals in Dirt.

Jas. G. White and wife to Geo.

. Messer, part of block 5, Martin

nd Cotton's fourth addition

consideration \$3,000.

A. P. Morey and wife to R. H.

Moses, lot 11, block 3, McClure's

dition to Sedalia. Consideration

\$250.

Deals in Dirt.

It is reasonable to suppose that

there are at least 300 people in Se-

dia who take a passing if not de-

Sedalia. The latter was at Wood's opera house last night. He came to assist the deserving ladies who have worked so hard to build a city hospital. They do not expect to receive a cent for their work, but they did expect the people of Sedalia to be present on the occasion when one of the most original and prominent literary men of the country would grace the evening by his presence and read from his own writings.

Those who have criticised different performances of the amusement season because of their lack of merit, should now remain forever silent. Admitting that the weather was bad last night, this should not have prevented a large audience. James Whitcomb Riley has drawn well in other cities, though he doubtless felt that "the frost was on the pumpkin" last night. Yet he was delightful in his different readings. The ladies and gentlemen who assisted in the programme are well-known for their different abilities, and were highly praised. The Sedalia Military band was at its best

## SOME FUN EXECUTED.

Capt. Marker, of the Black Diamond Complains That St. Clair Has Obstructed Navigation.

Major A. M. Miller of St. Louis, and member of the Corps of Engineers of the United States Army with special jurisdiction over the Osage river, passed through Sedalia this morning en route to Osceola, St. Clair county, where he goes to act in an official capacity.

After endeavoring for some time to put the gentleman in a communicative state of mind, a DEMOCRAT reporter was at length rewarded by the following revelation:

Major Miller was in possession of two writs which are, on his arrival at Osceola, to be served on the county clerk of St. Clair county, Frank P. Hostetter and Capt. Otto Marker, owner of the steamboat "Black Diamond."

This action on the part of the war department, is the result of a complaint made against St. Clair county by Capt. Marker who claims that the bridge across the Osage is built in such a manner as to obstruct navigation.

The case is a most singular one and involves issues that will require considerable time for settlement.

The case will be argued in St. Louis in the near future when it is hoped that matters will be amicably adjusted.

## WILL BE REPAIRED.

The Bridge Across Muddy in a Bad Fix but Will be Saved.

The bridge across Muddy is in a bad fix and it will take good work to save it.

Bridge Commissioner Slaven went out Friday, as soon as relieved of his duties on the county board of equalization, and at once saw the serious nature of the damage.

One of the abutments had been undermined by the creek and a new one will have to be built; this could not be done at once as the legal formalities for letting a contract had to be carried out, which would take time.

So, as the best that could be done, Mr. Slaven has taken steps to have the bridge timbered up temporarily so as to keep it from falling if the abutment gives way, and a temporary road made leading to the old ford near the bridge.

The work of saving the bridge is a difficult and somewhat dangerous one, owing to the high waters of the past few days, but as the rain has ceased the difficulty will be speedily overcome.

In the meantime steps are being taken to make permanent repairs in the manner required by law.

## A THRIVING ENTERPRISE.

A Highly Encouraging Report Read at the Election of Officers Yesterday.

At the annual meeting of the Equitable, Loan and Investment Association, No. 2, of Sedalia, Mo., held on yesterday the following officers were elected:

E. E. Johnson, president; Jno. Montgomery, Jr., vice president; J. C. Thompson, treasurer; R. C. Sneed, secretary; Jackson & Montgomery, general attorneys.

Directors:—J. H. Rodes, Paris, Mo.; W. D. Fellows, Erie, Pa.; Jno. Montgomery, Jr., J. C. Thompson, Jas. H. Doyle, E. E. Johnston and R. C. Sneed.

A statement of last year's business demonstrates what energy, pluck and business tact can do. The Equitable is growing to be one of Sedalia's most substantial institutions and it is here to assist and encourage all enterprises to build up the community.

## Will Locate Here.

It is reasonable to suppose that there are at least 300 people in Se-

lia who take a passing if not de-

licor and opium habit, and has decided to remain in Sedalia. Parties desiring information, can find Dr. Houston at Sicher's hotel, and they will find that the company which the genial doctor represents is a responsible one and well worthy of patronage by any one desiring such treatment.

## JAPANESE CAPITAL.

Men From the Flowered East Will Build a Bridge Over the Missouri.

A new bridge will soon be built over the Missouri. It will be located at St. Charles, about half a mile above the present bridge, and will be for foot and wagon traffic. The history of the construction of the bridge is peculiar. The Wabash bridge is only adapted for railroad traffic, and the station is at considerable distance from the city. This fact has been very detrimental to the interests of St. Charles, and the need of a wagon bridge has long been recognized. Nothing, however, was done until a few months ago, when a young Japanese bridge engineer visited the city for the purpose of examining the Wabash bridge. In talking with citizens of St. Charles he became convinced of the need of the city for a foot and wagon bridge. Taking a boat he made soundings of the river above the railroad bridge, and found what proved to be a good crossing. Further investigations proved that the limestone underlying the river was but a short distance below the bottom, and that construction would be comparatively cheap. A contract has been made with a Japanese bridge company to put up the bridge, and Japanese capital will furnish the means, taking bonds for the loan. This is asserted to be the first instance of such a loan in the country. The estimated cost of the bridge is placed at \$250,000.

## WANT MORE MONEY.

The Rock Island Trainmen Demand an Increase of Wages.

The Rock Island Trainmen's conference adjourned at St. Joseph to-day.

A schedule has been prepared and a committee of three conductors and two brakemen appointed to present it to General Manager St. John May 1. The schedule will ask that additional crews be put on between Trenton and Davenport and between Trenton and Kansas City and Trenton and Atchison.

They will also ask \$150 per month on three runs instead of \$125, which they now get. They will also ask that \$150 from Chicago to Davenport be paid instead of \$125. They will also ask that the run from Kansas City and St. Joseph be paid at the rate of \$150 per month instead of \$125. An increase is also asked for on the run from Kansas City and St. Joseph to Liberal, Kansas. They also ask that the scale of wages for new train to be put on from Chicago to Kansas City be advanced.

Country life always gains im-

mensely in interest, profit and pleasure upon the introduction of good roadways under such system as that in France, where the burden of national and departmental high-ways do not, as generally with us, unjustly fall exclusively upon the rural population. In fact, the chief

drawback to the cause of road-making reform in the United States is the lack of comprehensive national and state system, supplemented by county crossroads, the whole under the supervision of competent civil engineers.

That France in this respect has surpassed all other countries is almost wholly due to the genius of the first Napoleon, who taught

Europe the grandest lesson in road making since the days of the Romans. The roads of France are divided into "national," "departmental" and "vicinal," all three